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Mokena M. E. 60th Anniversary Program Climax Sunday Afternoon

As this paper goes to press, the Mokena Methodist Church is entering a series of meetings using some of that denominations greatest speakers, to celebrate their 60th Anniversary of Dedication of the church building. Dr. W. E. J. Gratz speaks on Thursday evening and his service is called "The New Age Meeting". On Friday evening, Dr. E. C. Lumsden, District Superintendent, will speak on "Movements of the Church," and the evening will be devoted to historical remembrances connected with the local church; former pastors Ake and Mangus have promised to be on hand for that service, and letters will be read from other men who have served the charge.



DR. F. O. BECK

On Saturday evening, Dr. F. G. Lankard will bring a message of special interest to Sunday school Teachers, Public School Workers, and Parents; the entire Mokena Parent Teachers Association have received cards from the officers of that organization requesting them to be present and to sit in a body at this meeting; seats are being reserved for them until 7:45 o'clock. But the climax of the whole series of services will come in the Sunday afternoon meeting.

The Sunday afternoon meeting is to be called "A Community Vision Meeting," at the suggestion of Dr. F. O. Beck who will be the

speaker of the afternoon. This meeting is not to be strictly a worship service, but it is hoped that it may be a gathering of all those interested in community welfare to hear a speaker of note who has been in constant demand as an advisor to localities which found themselves becoming a part of Chicago's great suburban districts, and whose populations have wanted that their villages might grow into such in a natural way and might retain their moral stability and community spirit.

Dr. Beck is a specialist in church community work. The meeting will be strictly undenominational and "intercommunity" in interest and scope. While Dr. Beck will speak upon the place of the church in the growing community, his message will have interest for even those who are not directly involved in the church life. The meeting will close by a rededication by the congregation of the church to the use of religious work and service.

Former Mokena M. E. Pastor Writes of Old Times

In an issue of the News-Bulletin about a year ago, an account was given of the visit to Mokena of Dr. J. R. Woodcock, formerly pastor of the Mokena Methodist Church during the years 1883 and 1884. The following letter from Rev. Woodcock was received by Mrs. Cooper in answer to her request that he write something of his memories of Mokena and the church that he served in those days. The letter is of particular interest at the time of the celebration of the 60th Anniversary of Dedication of the Methodist Church. Practically the whole of the long, interesting letter is published, herewith:

Placentia, California, Route 1.
April 11, 1927.

Mrs. Ella Cooper,
Mokena, Illinois.

My dear good friend:

Is it possible that I have delayed so long to write you after my hurried call last fall? I've had much on my hands to claim my time; but I shall make no excuses. Am only glad I can write you tonight though not as amply as to Mokena Church history transpiring the two years I was pastor of that church -- from the Fall of 1882 to the autumn of 1884. That was my first charge, as a young clergyman of 30 years; the age Jesus entered upon his public ministry. My wife, Annie Hobbs Woodcock and little daughter Grace 2 years old, composed my family. I succeeded Rev. Mr. Searls, and was curiously considered a newly wed, and a theatrical actor, though I had been married 5 years. We lived in the two story house on the corner across the street from the church, as you go uptown; at that time a commodious barn belonged to the Parsonage property. We had not facked down our carpets, when some friends from Joliet, where we had been living, drove up and insisted that I should marry them, and, after some hesitation on my part, I did. We had no cake to pass out, but did have a merry-making time.

When I became pastor, Mokena Circuit embraced the English Settlement, [now Orland] and Gooding's Grove, and the town of Mokena.

The "circuit" was 23 miles around, which I travelled every two weeks, with horse and buggy; the alternate week preaching only at Mokena and English Settlement, while when traversing the 23 miles, I preached three times on Sunday, the last sermon being in the Mokena Church. How piercing cold those winters were. I froze myself on one trip around the circuit, and many times the snow was so deep that I drove over the top of stake-and-rider fences. My salary was small--\$500 the first year, and \$550, the second year; but the people were so good, that they furnished us with a large part of our living. One donation the English Settlement brought us was astonishing, and a great surprise to us; it trailed into town like a long picnic procession. And what a good time we had.

Dr. J. M. Caldwell was my Presiding Elder. There was not an organ, or choir at any of the three points on the circuit; but, before I closed my ministry we had bought an organ for each society, and had some sort of a choir in each. In my first year, I had a hard time of it physically, for in my revival work, I had to lead all the singing, do the preaching, and then follow up with strenuous exhorting.

At Gooding's Grove we worshipped in a school house. But I gathered up the money and we built a quite presentable church, which was delightfully dedicated. At that point we attempted a revival my first year, but the storms were so severe that we had to abandon the effort. But the second year we had a wonderful revival, and many people were converted. A number of the English Settlement people came over and helped in the meeting, and we had a soul-warming time.

At the English Settlement we had an out-standing revival. Scores and scores of people were saved; in some instances whole families. I remember during the meeting the sleet on the road was like glass. Horses could not stand on it and travel. But the neighborhood was so awakened, that they left their teams at home, and walked to the meeting. Then it snowed, and drifted filling the roads in places higher than the fences; but that didn't stop the people from coming; they turned out and shoveled narrow lanes through the high drifts so that they could get to church. What

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Why Mokena Does Not Need A New School Building

Before deciding on a new school the condition of the present building must be considered from several angles.

Is the old building adequate to cover the needs of the pupils?

Are the heating facilities sufficiently modern so as not to interfere with the health of the children?

Is the lighting system, both natural and artificial, such that the children's eyesight is not impaired?

I believe these necessities have been supplied within recent years.

The fire hazard has been reduced by fire escapes and the children have been taught to march out in an orderly manner at the stroke of the fire gong.

Let us consider the proximity of railroad. The distance between the school building and the railroad is sufficient to insure reasonable safety providing the children are taught to watch their step.

The seating capacity has recently been met with and new desks have been installed, allowing each child ample breathing space and the necessary elbow room to prevent interference in moving to and from their classes.

The old structure is also equipped with running water providing the children with a fresh drink whenever necessary.

Lastly, let us give thought to the play grounds which in the past has always been large enough for organized play and no child has been greatly handicapped in that respect when it comes to exercise or play.

Leon F. Tonn

Personally I am in favor of a new school. It is one of the foremost needs of this community and I hope the day is not far off when we can point with pride to our new institution of learning.

S. W. Towns Chamber of Com. To Meet at Orland

A meeting of the Southwest Chamber of Commerce will be held at the School house, Orland, Ill., on Saturday evening, December 17, at 8 p. m. Southwest Highway will be discussed and other important matters of interest to the Southwest Chamber of Commerce.

Orland Electric Shop Has Pretty Christmas Display

Ralph Agate has entered the employ of Clarence Beagley Electrical Contractor of Orland Park, and will have charge of the store and Radio sales.

Mr. Beagley has decorated his store in a real Christmas fashion and will have it open for business every day from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. and on Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

Mr. Beagley has also added a line of plumbing supplies, American heating plants and Kohler and Standard plumbing fixtures.

Tinley M. E. To Stage Elaborate Xmas Program

The Tinley Park M. E. church is going to put on the most elaborate Christmas program this year that the church has ever sponsored. The program will be especially interesting with numerous songs, recitations, and special music. The program will be held Thursday evening, December 22nd at the community hall at 8 o'clock.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Be sure and bring the kids.

Spectator Takes Over Will County Farmer Magazine

The Spectator, Joliet's popular illustrated feature weekly magazine has taken over the Will County Farmer, formerly issued by the Will County Farm Bureau. The Spectator will be sent to the Will County Farmer subscribers and once each month the Spectator will run a special page devoted to the interests of the Farm Bureau, this page to be edited by the Farm Bureau members.

This new feature will add much to the popularity of the Spectator in the rural communities.

PAVE THE GAP WITH GAS TAX

The Mokena Development Association has adopted a new slogan: "Pave the Gap with the Gas Tax", relating to the paving of Wolf Road from the Will-Cook county line to the north of Mokena, thence thru the village south to the Lincoln highway south of Mokena and on to Route 51.

As the Wolf Road is a state aid road from the county line to the Lincoln Highway the gap of about 3 1-2 miles can be paved from the gas tax Will County will receive after the first of the year.

Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom thoroughly covers this point in a letter to L. G. Bruder, chairman of the Mokena Development Association as follows:

STATE OF ILLINOIS,
LAW DEPARTMENT,
Springfield, December 9, 1927.

Mr. L. G. Bruder,
Chairman, Mokena Development & Hard Road Improvement Assn.,
Mokena, Illinois.

Dear Sir:
I have your letter of the 7th inst. in which you acknowledge receipt of my letter of the 3rd instant, and then state as follows:

"The village of Mokena, which is an incorporated village, has no hard road connecting with any hard road in Illinois. It is located two miles north of the Lincoln Highway in Will County. Wolf Road is a state aid road from the village limits of Mokena to the Lincoln Highway and we would like to know if the gas tax could be used for constructing a hard road on Wolf Road to make connection with the Lincoln Highway and with the hard road to be built by Cook County on Wolf road from 143rd Street to the Cook and Will County line, which part is a state aid road in Cook County."

In reply to the foregoing statement in your letter, it seems to me that I have answered your questions in the last paragraph of my letter to you under date of the 3rd instant, in which I state, in substance, that the money obtained by a county from the so-called gasoline tax can be used by the county for the improvement of any State aid road in the county but that preference should be given to the State aid roads in the county that connect incorporated municipalities with some one of the one hundred and eighty-five State bond issue routes if said municipalities are not already located upon one of these routes or connected with the same by a State bond issue road. Therefore, the road you mention in your letter can be improved by the county from the money received from the so-called gasoline tax under the provisions as stated in said act.

Yours very truly,
OSCAR E. CARLSTROM,
Attorney General.

May Form Izaak Walton Chapter At Mokena

The Izaak Walton League of America, powerful nation-wide conservation and sportsman's organization, will soon enter this community if plans of local outdoor lovers go through, it has been learned the past week.

The League has been particularly anxious to have a chapter here and this move is now near realization, according to word from the National Headquarters of the organization at Chicago that the interest of the sportsmen of this community has been aroused and material for forming a chapter is in the hands of E. C. Mau of Mokena.

Under such expert guidance it is expected that a chapter soon will be organized and the sportsmen and outdoor people of Mokena banded together in interest of conservation, propagation of wild life, and other measures to insure out door sports and recreation for all, as well as to promote an added interest in these pastimes.

The Walton League is less than six years old, yet it now ranks among the leading public welfare associations of America. It has won such a commanding position in this country that Herbert Hoover, who is Honorary President of the League has called it the greatest force in the country for the protection and development of opportunities for outdoor life.

FALLS ON ICY STEP; BREAKS THREE RIBS

Last Monday Henry F. Bruggemann, Tinley Park elevator man, slipped on an icy step at the Edward Henke home and fell, sustaining three broken ribs. Mr. Bruggemann is getting along nicely at latest reports.

During the icy period five autos skidded off the pavement into the ditch between Tinley Park and Blue Island but no one was hurt.

Worth Talks Annexation Plans

A few have been working to annex some land to the east of Worth east of Ridgeland Avenue and north of 111th street. There is much public sentiment against this. It is felt that this property will not bring a desirable section in the village in that it is across from the cemetery and will not develop for residence property nor will it be good industrial property. This should logically belong to Chicago Ridge.

It is felt by most of the good citizens that Worth should expand south and west as this logically belongs to the village and will bring a high class of residence property. Some of this property is now subdivided and the rest is in the path of the subdivisions. This will bring more taxes to the village. The property to the east of the village along 111th and Ridgeland is only partly subdivided and there is little chance of its development.

The good citizens of Worth are not anxious to make the village a second Cicero.

Under the new law for annexation the citizens are entitled to express themselves by ballot on such a matter if the necessary steps are taken.

Tinley Park R. N. A. Elect Officers

The Tinley camp of the R. N. A. have moved their headquarters from the Andres hall to the Community Hall. The camp have elected the following officers:

Oracle Mrs. Edmund Moss
Vice-Oracle—Mrs. Wm. Clemens
Past-Oracle—Mrs. Chas. Mafing
Recorder—Mrs. John Klepper
Chancellor—Mrs. Lulu Rogers
Receiver—Mrs. Nan Rice
Marshal—Mrs. Hopman
Outer Sentinel—Mrs. Aug. Mesenbrink
Inner Sentinel—Mrs. Christ Goessel
Managers—Mrs. Wm. Funk, Mrs. J. C. Funk and Mrs. Elizabeth Harding.

Briggs and Turivas Lumber in Demand

Briggs & Turivas, well known car wreckers who have large yards at Blue Island and Chicago Heights, have had wonderful sales of their used lumber in the rural communities, many farmers buying the lumber for the purpose of building garages, sheds, etc. Quite a number of farmers around Mokena have availed themselves of the opportunity of buying good clean graded second hand lumber from this concern for building purposes. Briggs & Turivas are running a big display advertisement in this issue and it will be worth your while to read it if you are interested in this class of material.

TINLEY BUSINESS PLACES OPEN EVERY NIGHT TO XMAS

All the business places in Tinley Park are open every night until Christmas.

TINLEY TO HAVE BIG COMMUNITY XMAS PROGRAM

The Community Christmas entertainment at Tinley Park will be held under the auspices of the Garden Club on Thursday evening, December 22nd at 8 o'clock near the Community Christmas Tree which will be illuminated for the first time on that night. Mrs. John Swisher is the chairman and has arranged the following interesting program:

Opening Song
Joy to the world Community invocation Rev. Cheney
Recitation Erma Hick
Song School Children
Recitation Shirley Andersen
Duet Viola May Cheney, Nell Elizabeth Chaney.
Song—
O little town of Bethlehem Community
Recitation Fern Fulton
Duet Miss Jochum, Miss Brueggemann
Song—
Hark, the herald angels sing Community
Recitation Ruth Coleman
Duet Mrs. H. Mager, Mrs. Boeyer
Recitation Marion Brandt
Song—
It came upon the Midnight Clear Community
Benediction Rev. Jochum.
Arrival of Santa Claus

Word has been received by the entertainment committee directly from Santa's palace in Iceland that he and his wife will be with us. Come, and bring the children with you. Bring your hymn books too.

The business meeting of the Tinley Park Garden Club was held at the Gift Shop on Saturday night, 19 members being present. Mrs. Rudy Hug was elected Treasurer. Final plans for the Christmas entertainment to be held in the open close to the "Tree" Thursday evening, December 22nd at 8 o'clock, were formulated. Santa Claus will be there with bells on and he has a gift for every child too. His wife will be with him to assist in the distribution of these gifts. A splendid program has been arranged by Mrs. John Swisher and will be carried out by the pastors of Tinley Park and by some of the children and grown ups. Wm. Stoekman has offered to make a large beautiful star that will be illuminated and will grace the pinnacle of the Community Christmas Tree. The club met Wednesday evening with Jennie Klepper and practiced the carols which are to be sung Christmas eve around the "Tree" by the community. The tree will be lighted each night during the holidays until January 1st inclusive. The Iris was selected for the club's emblem.

PUBLIC SALE

CHAS. ERICKSON, Auctioneer
Wed. Dec. 21—Wm. Rust, Mokena
At Don C. Hall place



And they will be if you save a little each week thruout the year for Santa's annual visit. Try this easy saving plan.

Orland State Bank

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CHRISTMAS—An International Holiday



By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

DURING all the centuries that have elapsed since the birth of Christ gave to what are now known as the Christian nations of the world the occasion for celebrating one day in each year in honor of Him, there have become associated with that day a host of symbols, traditions and customs, contributed by the various countries, which have made it, more perhaps than any other red letter day on our calendars, an international holiday. We Americans are somewhat prone to place Christmas in the same category with the distinctive American holidays of Fourth of July, Memorial day, and Thanksgiving day, without always realizing that we are only one of the many peoples who are celebrating it.

It is a curious fact, too, that associated with this "Christian holiday" are many symbols and traditions of pagan origin. The date itself, December 25 (which is now universally accepted as the birthday of Christ, although there is no exact historical record to establish that birthday), is derived from many sources, all antedating the Christian era by many centuries. In fact the historic background for that date is the earliest period in the history of mankind, dating as it does from the time when primitive man first began to recognize the phenomena of the changing seasons in relation to his own life.

One of these was the winter solstice on December 21 which was observed with festivity in Persia, China and Egypt in ancient times. In some parts of China they still hold a thanksgiving feast on December 21 without knowing the reason for it. The ancient Egyptians ate goose (the historical precedent for the Christmas goose or turkey of the present day) for dinner in honor of the winter solstice. It is a curious coincidence that the symbol for goose in the Egyptian hieroglyphics is the same as the symbol for child, so that there is something of an analogy in the Egyptian celebration of the winter solstice and the Christian celebration of Christmas in honor of the Christ child.

In ancient Rome the winter solstice was also celebrated, because when the shortest day of the year was over and the December sun began to climb its upward course, the Romans thrilled to the promise of coming spring. The festival they held was in honor of their god Saturn and at that time they prepared a feast which they called the Saturnalia. There were gifts and merrymaking and banquets of true Roman magnificence and their temples were decorated with flowers and green branches. Under the reign of the Caesars slaves were liberated and were licensed to dine with their masters; prisoners were not punished for their misdeeds and war never was declared. Truly it was a time of "peace on earth, good will to men."

When the Romans invaded Britain they brought with them their customs and found that the celebration of the Saturnalia was somewhat similar to a celebration held at approximately the same time by the pagan Britons, especially those of the Druid priesthood. In these rites the mistletoe, which was held sacred by the Druids, was cut from the sacred oak with a golden sickle by the prince of the Druids. Later when the mistletoe was hung in the farmhouses the young men had the privilege of kissing the girls under it, plucking, at each kiss, a berry from the spray. When the berries were all plucked, kissing time was over.

So it was from these pagan Druids that we received the mistletoe as a symbol of Christmas, as we did also the custom of burning the Yule log. The Scandinavians, from whom we get some of our Christmas customs, also had the Yule log and burned Yule fires in the night in honor of Thor, the thunder god. The Yule log has survived as one of the principal features of the modern English observance of Christmas and around it has grown up a number of traditions or superstitions of its own. In northern England it is believed that if a squinting person or a bare-footed person comes into the house while the log is burning, it is an omen of bad luck. They also put away the brand remaining from the Yule log very carefully for use

in lighting the Yule log on next year's Christmas fire.

Just how all of these customs came to be associated with the Christian holiday, celebrated in honor of the birth of Christ, cannot be definitely determined, for the merging of customs of different races and nations is such a gradual one that it is impossible to assign definite dates for the origin of many traditions. The early Christians frowned upon the pagan ceremonies held at the time of the winter solstice, yet they could not prevent their invasion of their own holy days. In the earliest days of the Christian era Epiphany, January 6, the day Christ was supposed to have been baptized, was observed by the followers of the new religion and eventually the observance of December 25 as Christmas grew out of a sort of compromise between Epiphany, January 6, and December 21, the day of the winter solstice and the high holiday of the pagans. Gradually the Christian Christmas began to replace the pagan festivals and the principal holiday of the winter season began to be observed on December 25. However, a part of the Greek church still observes January 6, ignoring December 25, while the Russians, because of their adherence to the Julian calendar observe Christmas some 13 days later than do other peoples.

Although the first observance of December 25 as Christmas has been lost in obscurity, it is said that Julian I, bishop of Rome from 337 to 352 A. D., established the festival at Rome some time between those two dates and it is probable that by the fifth century the date was pretty well established throughout the Christian world. King Arthur is believed to have held the first Christmas day festival in Britain in the city of York in 521 A. D. This festival lasted for several days and so appealed to his people that it became an annual custom. It was about this time, too, that the association of the mixture of Druid and Roman symbols and traditions began to appear in the Christmas celebrations. The Christians saw with alarm the association of what they considered heathenish rites with their own ceremonies, but they were powerless to check the growth of the alien influences and the importance of the festival gradually grew until there occurred an event which seemed to the Christians a just rebuke for the increasing importance of the pagan traditions. In 878 King Alfred was holding high revelry on Christmas day when he was surprised by the Danes, his army cut to pieces and he himself became a fugitive.

In 1223 there was an important Christmas celebration staged by St. Francis of Assisi in a grotto near Greccio in the Abruzzi mountains of Italy. There was a pageant at midnight, portraying the Nativity, and Thomas of Celano, who was among the worshippers, writes that they saw a smiling babe appear in the arms of St. Francis as he bent over the manger. The report of this miracle spread over the land and a convent was built there to commemorate it. Giotto painted a picture of the incident and this celebration and this picture did much to give us our present-day ideas of the Nativity of Christ.

By the early Middle ages, Christmas had become the greatest of the annual festivals and, although in some countries, notably England, the pagan elements of the celebration still existed, for the most part the Christian element was emphasized. Churches were decorated and plays concerning the Nativity were given. Carols were sung in the streets and images of the Virgin and Christ were carried about from house to house. There was feasting and merrymaking, too, as well as religious ceremonies.

In the England of Shakespeare's time the Christmas festivities were very elaborate, lasting until Twelfth day, or Epiphany and during this time there was no work of any kind. So the "Merrie Christmas" of Old England became established. Then came the period of the Puritans whose straight-laced ideas gave them a keen distaste for Christmas festivities, especially those in which the pagan elements were most evident. So they prevailed upon parliament to prohibit such celebrations and Christmas was made a day of fasting and prayer instead of a day of feasting and fun. But after the Restoration the old cele-

brations came back, somewhat subdued for awhile, but eventually rather similar to what they had been before.

If the "Merrie Christmas" of Old England with its Yule logs, mistletoe, holly, cheery Christmas carols, Christmas cards, plum puddings and mince pies and all of the other elements which combine to make it a season of gaiety, have served to change the original character of the holiday, it is equally true that other countries have contributed other traditions which help make it a joyous season. Germany has contributed the Christmas tree and Martin Luther is said to have been the first to set up a Christmas tree in that country. Holland has contributed the jolly old Santa Claus as the symbol of cheerful giving and the custom of hanging up Christmas stockings in which he is to put his gifts. The latter is an outgrowth of the custom of the Dutch children of placing their wooden shoes in the chimney corner on St. Nicholas eve (December 6) when the spirit of the good St. Nicholas (they called him Sinterklaas, which later became Santa Claus) made his rounds and left his gifts for them. This custom of hanging up stockings is also said to have originated in Russia from two customs. In east Russia, among the peasantry, there was a custom whereby a young girl discovered through divination whom she would have for her husband and the traditional formula in this custom was "Come and take my stockings off." Among the professional classes parents placed money in the stockings of their children at marriage as a gift for the other partner.

Although Holland is usually credited with being the contributor of Santa Claus, as a matter of fact, this symbol of Christmas is a composite character and under a variety of names he is a legacy from a number of nations. In Holland he is Sinterklaas, or San Nicolaas; in Germany he is Kriss Kringle, a derivation from Krist Kindli, the Christ Child; and in France he is Bonhomme Noel or Pere Noel, Father Christmas. And in Italy, the children believe that he has a companion on his annual trip, a sort of Mrs. Santa Claus whom they know as La Befana, probably a modification of the Italian word for Epiphany.

But it must not be supposed that any one of the Christmas customs has been contributed by any one country exclusively. In nearly all of the Christmas traditions there are contributions from several nations and every country claims a share in most of them. America, the youngest of all nations, has inherited its Christmas customs from all of them, but it has, so we believe, improved upon many and contributed one or two of its own. The principal one, of course, is the Christmas turkey, for the turkey is "all-American." But as evidence of the fact that Christmas is truly an international holiday, consider these words of one writer on the history of Christmas: "We eat the Egyptian's goose—it may have changed to a turkey in America—as a sacrifice to the sun, they tell us. We hang the mistletoe of the Druids, burn the Yule log of the Nordic pagans. Holly, some authorities say, is our own, symbolizing the crown of thorns the Christ wore to Golgotha. The red berries are drops of blood. We drink the wassail bowl, some of us, handed to our lips by the Vikings. We decorate the sacred oak which, by the grace of St. Boniface, is an evergreen. We await the coming of the Germanic Santa Claus for our gifts. And we chant 'peace on earth, good will to all men,' which, after all, is the most important."

Golf Playing at Night With Luminous Balls

It looked at first like a jubilee celebration of some kind, as flare after flare streaked the night horizon of Van Cortlandt Park golf course, New York city.

But these rocket-like streaks were nothing other than "luminous" golf balls being tried out by their inventor, M. J. Bloomer, scientist of Columbia university. These luminous balls keep their light for ten minutes after being hit from the tee, and thus, with the aid of electric lights over the greens, the night becomes as day to the insatiable golfer. Sportsmen now picture additional possibilities for night golf with the aid of this ball and illumination of tee flags by employing the piercing rays of the now-popular neon light which can be seen at great distance and through fog, mist and smoke.

In his experiments with the luminous ball, Mr. Bloomer drove off eight balls from the first tee and located all of them within six minutes. Like huge glow worms they nestled among grass, leaf and tree far down the fairways and in the rough.

Light of Scriptures Given to the World

Through the efforts of the American and the British Bible association it would seem that there is no possibility that any human could fail to know of the Book.

The British and Foreign Bible society issued the Scriptures last year in a new language once every 26 days. The list includes the entire Bible in 144 languages, the New Testament in 138 others, and at least one complete book of Scripture in 311 forms of speech.

During 1926 over 1,500,000 copies of the Bible were circulated in continental Europe, 438,000 in Africa, 412,000 in Canada, 159,000 in Australia, 25,700 in New Zealand, 436,000 in South America and the West Indies, 869,000 in India, 64,000 in Ceylon, 194,000 in Malaya, and the East Indies, 236,000 in Japan, 64,000 in Korea, and 4,142,000 in China.

Lamp Rays Employed to Detect Forgeries

A lamp, manufactured by a German, gives out invisible rays that read secret writing, test food, and detect forgeries.

This wonderful lamp is made of quartz, to permit the passage of ultra-violet light, and is equipped with a filter which absorbs all the visible rays of the spectrum. When the powerful "black light" of the lamp falls on any one of a huge class of substances, the substance "tells its story" by giving off a deep purple, green, or brilliant orange light.

Different kinds of papers glow with different colors under ultra-violet rays, depending on how, and of what, they are made. Thus it is easy to detect the genuineness of bank-notes or rare postage stamps by comparing under the rays the one in doubt with others known to be authentic.

Freak Golf in Scotland

A freak golf match was played recently in Scotland. It was an 18-hole course and the players agreed to meet by moonlight. They started at 9:30 p. m., accompanied by spectators. No one could see the ball when it left the tee, so all stood in strained silence trying to hear it drop. Two brave men, all in white, went ahead lighting matches to give the players a clew to the right direction. They escaped with their lives, although a ball passed between the feet of one of them. The balls were traced with the aid of electric flashlights. The match ended at 12:20. Not a single player made a hole in one, the match going to the expert who achieved a hole in 93.

A Short, Short Story

He loved her.
She loved him.
They loved each other.
But his mother didn't like her mother.
And her mother didn't like his mother.
And her father didn't like his income.
And his father didn't like her extravagance.
So they were married and lived quite unhappily until his father and her mother and his mother and her mother all became grandparents.—Life.

An Early Start

The Groom (immediately after the ceremony)—Phew! I was never so rattled in all my life.

The Bride—And you seemed so cool and collected. Oh, Bob, how could you begin deceiving me at the very altar?—Boston Transcript.

When there is no love in trouble its weight grows double.

We are often more patient with other's ills than our own.



Whooping Cough Relieved

This dread cough is one of the most dangerous of children's diseases. There is no cure for whooping cough. It usually runs its course, but a few drops of this well known physician's prescription will relieve the violent coughing paroxysms, and avoid vomiting. No dangerous "dosage"—nothing to upset the stomach. Glesco also brings quick relief for coughs, colds, and spasmodic croup.

DR. DRAKE'S GLESSCO CROUP REMEDY

PILES Eczema, Bolls, Sores, Burns, Ulcers, Pimples, Itches and all Skin Diseases Positively Removed by Using the Wonder Ointment
COLLIVER'S GOODSALVE
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State Treasurer Garrett D. Kinney has credited to the general revenue fund a total of \$827,955.76 in interest earned on state money during the first ten months of his tenure of office, according to the monthly report which he has just issued. This amount, the department announced, is \$144,000 more than was paid in by any other treasurer in the same period of time.

The report shows that Illinois has a balance on hand of \$38,394,362.92, while the balance on hand July 1 was \$51,756,000, the state having expended approximately \$13,000,000 in four months, mostly for improvements.

The total bonded indebtedness of the state is \$145,296,500, of which \$97,000,000 is in highway bonds and \$48,296,500 in soldiers' compensation bonds.

Farm relief by federal legislation was urged by heads of agricultural departments of various states who closed their annual meeting in Chicago recently.

No specific program could win individual support and as a compromise measure they went on record as strongly favoring relief legislation of some sort, S. J. Starnard, director of agriculture for Illinois, reported.

"As has been the case in other agricultural measures," the Illinois official said, "the industrial East seems lacking in sympathy for the agricultural central states and the West. Some of the state leaders of agriculture service seemed disinclined to urge any sort of action for farm relief."

Whether a search warrant is issued under the search and seizure act, or to recover stolen property, the warrant must conform with the constitutional provision that "the right of the people to be secure against unreasonable search in their persons, houses and effects shall not be violated." Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom has informed the state's attorney of Ogle county. The state's attorney wished to know whether a warrant for recovery of stolen property, to be valid, had to be attended with the same legal requirements as does a warrant under the search and seizure act. The fundamental requirements of a search warrant, the attorney general answered, may not be violated, whether the warrant be for recovery or for any other purpose.

Illinois, a union state, produced the third largest volume of bituminous coal in the country, 69,336,923 tons, and obtained the highest price in the central competitive field, \$2.14 a ton, the 1926 report of the bureau of mines showed.

Coal production in the United States during the year totaled 657,804,437 tons, \$4,437,452 of anthracite and 573,306,985 of bituminous, with a value estimated at \$1,657,576,000.

Pennsylvania ranks first, the report shows, in both anthracite and bituminous coal production, while West Virginia tonnage crept to within a few millions of tons of that of Pennsylvania, placing its production second largest in volume, and slightly ahead of the Illinois volume. West Virginia is a nonunion state.

The Egyptian Transportation company, Marion, has filed an application with the Illinois Commerce commission for a certificate of convenience and necessity to operate a motor bus line between Carbondale, Cobden, Anna, Jonesboro and Cape Ferry.

A formal complaint has been filed by the Northwest Side Commercial association against the Chicago Railways company as to the various street car line and bus extensions and routings in the city of Chicago.

The tremendous demand for diphtheria toxin-antitoxin threatens to deplete the funds appropriated for supplying this material long before the biennium is up, according to an announcement made recently by Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state health director. Never before has such a wave of interest in any one preventive measure seized upon the public of Illinois with such magnitude. Immunization campaigns are especially general in the extreme southern and northern parts of the state.

"Last month 37,000 children were immunized against diphtheria in Chicago alone," said Doctor Rawlings. "and the health commissioner there has requested enough toxin-antitoxin to immunize 75,000 more before Christmas. Scores of other municipalities and rural communities in the northern section are immunizing children on a wholesale scale. State health officers, nurses and doctors report the busiest season ever experienced with preventive work."

Contagious diseases in the downstate sections show a decrease according to a report just issued by Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state director of health. The report shows that there are 195 cases of diphtheria, 226 of scarlet fever, 15 of typhoid fever and 24 cases of smallpox.

When Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, John Q. Trimmer, a pioneer of Mound City, Mo., vowed he would never shave again. Today at the age of ninety-three, he has kept that promise.

Traffic congestion into Chicago stood a good chance of being relieved when bids for the construction of 16.45 miles of 40-foot highways in Will, Kankakee and Cook counties were received recently by the state department of public works and buildings.

Bids were also received for construction of roads in other parts of the state; all have been taken under consideration and contracts will be awarded at a later date.

The apparent low bidders on the 40-foot projects are as follows:

Route 49, section 141, Kankakee-Will counties, 5.92 miles—Rieth-Reilly Construction company, Goshen, Ind., \$234,735.

Route 49, section 142, Will county, 2.77 miles—Cameron Joyce & Co., Keokuk, Iowa, \$211,817.53.

Route 49, section 143, Will-Cook counties, 4.71 miles—Cameron Joyce & Co., Keokuk, Iowa, \$197,143.26.

Apparent low bidders on the 18-foot pavement in other parts of the state follow:

Route 48, section 112, Iroquois county, 6.49 miles—R. P. Devine, Watseka, \$122,780.46.

Route 14, section 5X, Franklin county, .59 miles—Hurdin Construction company, Springfield, \$18,566.25.

Route 116, section 109, Woodford county, 3.98 miles—Trompeter & Sons, Peru, \$79,743.71.

Section P-5, Starved Rock park, LaSalle county, .64 miles—C. F. Breeden & Co., Springfield, \$15,763.90.

Connection routes 13 and 151, Perry county, 3.89 miles—William Lough & Sons, Marion, \$96,737.77.

Route 153, section 101, Washington county, 5.60 miles—R. G. Flaughner company, Oblong, \$117,436.34.

Route 131, section 109, Cumberland county, 5.28 miles—Gaines Bros., Fairland, Okla., \$154,825.12.

A new light was cast on the life and work of Abraham Lincoln by President Carl R. Gray, Omaha, of the Union Pacific system, at a railroad meeting of the Mid-Day Luncheon club in the capital city recently. Francis G. Blair, superintendent of public instruction for the state of Illinois, is president of the Mid-Day Luncheon club.

President Gray related the part which Abraham Lincoln played in the establishment of the great western railroad system. Lincoln planned this road as a great transcontinental line to unite the East and West.

The importance of the Union Pacific railroad from the outset was shown by Mr. Gray in the fact that President Lincoln and congress gave so much time to its establishment even during the war-stressed period. The Union Pacific established effectually the standard gauge of American railroads. There were twelve gauges in America in 1860, ranging from two and a half to six feet. Five feet prevailed in the south and four and a half in New England. President Lincoln and congress finally established the North American standard of four feet and eight and a half inches.

Lincoln had planned just such a railroad as the Union Pacific for a number of years. One of his greatest ambitions was to link the East with the West and the Pacific coast.

Among the other guests of honor at the luncheon were Gov. Len Small, President Lawrence A. Downs of the Illinois Central system and President W. C. Maxwell of the Wabash railroad.

State Treasurer Garrett D. Kinney has credited to the revenue fund a total of \$827,186.01 on earnings on state funds during the first ten months of his term of office, according to a financial statement just issued. The earnings for October were approximately \$84,000. The report showed that the state had on hand a balance of \$41,604,027.77 at the beginning of November. Interest earnings during Mr. Kinney's term of office were highest last July when the figures mounted to \$97,039.76. The bonded indebtedness of the state is \$145,296,500 of which \$97,000,000 is in state highway bonds and \$48,296,500 in soldiers' compensation bonds.

There are about fifty thousand tractors operating on Illinois farms, in addition to the hundreds of thousands of work horses.

All material phases in the dispute over the diversion of water from Lake Michigan were decided in favor of Illinois and the Chicago sanitary district by Charles Evans Hughes, former associate justice, in a report filed by him recently with the Supreme court as special master.

The Great Lakes states which contested the diversion, will be granted an opportunity to file with the court briefs challenging the findings and conclusions reached by Mr. Hughes. Afterwards the court will set a day for the hearing of oral arguments and will then decide for itself, under its reserved right, how far it will adopt as its own findings and conclusions of its special master and to what extent, if any, these should be modified.

Illinois has disbursed a total of \$55,073,438.50 to the veterans of the World war in the service from this state between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918. A total of 236,643 claims were acted upon by the service recognition board, and of this number 267,537 were allowed as coming under the provisions of the Illinois Bonus act. Final report of the service recognition board was made recently by Gov. Len Small, chairman; Garrett D. Kinney, treasurer, and Adj. Gen. Carlos E. Black, secretary of the board. The report is most exhaustive.

Work on Your Knees
A marble cutter, with chisel and hammer, was changing a stone into a statue. A preacher looking on said: "I wish I could deal such clanging blows on stony hearts." The workman made answer: "Maybe you could, if you worked like me, upon your knees."

Just What Satan Likes
Nothing satisfies Satan like the saint who is satisfied with himself.—Presbyterian Record.

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Sunday School Lesson

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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Lesson for December 18

REVIEW: THE EARLY PROPHETS OF ISRAEL

GOLDEN TEXT—God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in times past to the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken by His Son.

PRIMARY TOPIC—What We Have Learned This Quarter.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Great Men and Great Teachings of the Quarter's Lesson.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Lessons from the Early Prophets.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Mission of the Prophets.

The method of review must always be determined by the genius of the teacher, the aptitude of the pupils and the particular grade in the school. For the adult classes three methods are suggested.

I. Biographical.

During the quarter six great prophets have been under review, namely, Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Hosea, Haggai and Isaiah. Assignments of these characters to representative members of the class should be made the week before so that they may come prepared to present the vital characteristics of these men.

II. Application of the Prophetic Messages to Modern Life.

Assignments should be made the preceding Sunday so that the members of the class may come prepared to make application of the vital messages of the prophets to the affairs of modern life. The following questions may be considered as representative:

What application can be made of the prophets' teachings as to: (1) The land question in the United States, (2) the problem of pauperism, (3) the problem of capital and labor, (4) light on the theological controversies of the present time, (5) a message for the modern woman, (6) the cause of prohibition, (7) modern amusements, (8) modern church life.

III. A Summary of Facts and Teachings.

Lesson for October 2.
The basis of decision as between Baal and Jehovah was that the true God should answer by fire. The leading lesson is that accepted service is the supreme test, enabling men to choose between Christ and heathen gods.

Lesson for October 9.
Elijah, who was brave before Baal's prophets, was frightened by Jezebel's threat and ran away. He failed at what had been his strong point.

Lesson for October 16.
Ahab coveted Naboth's vineyard. Jezebel schemed to destroy Naboth so that Ahab's petulant desire might be gratified. Judgment fell upon both Ahab and Jezebel.

Lesson for October 23.
A prophet is one who speaks forth God's message. When Isaiah had a vision of the Lord and was cleansed from sin, he was ready to go at the divine bidding.

Lesson for October 30.
Amos was called from the humble occupation of a shepherd and tradesman to fill the prophetic office. God is not dependent upon any school or system of training for the supply of His workers.

Lesson for November 6.
Though the nation had grievously sinned by worshipping idols, oppressing their fellow men and persecuting the prophets who spake against them, God invited them to return to Him.

Lesson for November 13.
Israel's apostasy was illustrated by Hosea's unfaithful wife. In spite of their wickedness God loved them and pled with them to return unto Him.

Lesson for November 20.
Isaiah pointed out the moral state of the people, exposing their ingratitude, stupidity, and habits of evil, and showed them that although God had severely chastised them, their case was not hopeless.

Lesson for December 4.
Isaiah reminded Israel of God's peculiar favor under the figure of a favorite vineyard. He pointed out the sins which brought their ruin. The outstanding sins were oppression of the poor, drunkenness, proud self-conceit and perversion of justice.

Lesson for December 11.
Through Isaiah's long ministry he was privileged to give counsel to several kings. Sometimes it was counsel of encouragement, sometimes of rebuke. To Ahab he gave counsel of assurance, pointing to a day of deliverance and blessing through Immanuel. When Hezekiah faced the crisis of invasion by the Assyrians, he resorted to the house of the Lord and sent for Isaiah.

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Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

by MARY GRAHAM BONNER
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CHAIR'S INSULT

"I'm insulted," said the chair in the living room.

"Why?" asked the table which held the big lamp, the books, the magazines and a little vase of green clusters from the pine tree, and a few photographs.

"I'll have to tell you about it," said the chair.

"Go ahead," said the table. "I'm patient."

"Oh, don't you want to hear?" asked the chair.

"Of course," said the table, "but then you must admit I'm patient, too."

"Yes, you are," said the chair. "You let them pile anything down on top of you."

"Sometimes I get so untidy," said the table. "They just put anything down upon me."

"If I weren't patient I'd be a nervous wreck. Now, for instance, this morning when the mail came, they left all the wrappings of magazines on me, although they were torn and most untidy."

"I like to have the fresh magazines put on me, but I don't like the torn wrappings."

"Sometimes the wrappings are neatly put away and used again, for the



"I'll Have to Tell You."

magazines are sent to other people when they're finished here.

"I always know they're to start on their journey when they're taken away from me."

"And I love the books that I receive. I like to keep getting other books, too."

"It makes me feel cozy and happy to have plenty of books put on me."

"Of course you only have things put on you. I have people sitting on me."

"Well, dear me, chair, is that what you mind? Surely you are used to that."

"Besides, a chair is supposed to be used for and by sitting people."

"A strange sentence, table, but I don't mind!"

"All right," said the table.

"But it isn't that I mind my job—my job of being sat upon. I like that," the chair continued.

"I enjoy feeling how happy people are when they rest in me, and settle down for a comfortable chat or a reading time."

"Dear me, no, it has nothing to do with my job! I like it. A chair that is a real chair likes its work. Its rest and work are combined."

"Besides I don't have much to do. I'm quiet a great deal of the time, and I'm treated well. I'm not scratched or banged about."

"I have a pleasant chair's life."

"But the insult was something different."

"One of the children was going out without his rubbers, and one of the grownups said:

"You might as well talk to that chair as to tell that child not to forget her rubbers."

"Now, that was an insult. Just because the child wasn't paying any attention, or forgot, is not the reason for thinking they can insult me."

"They pointed at me when they made that remark, too."

"And mercy me, table, I would wear rubbers if I went walking in the rain, and I would wear them on all my four feet, too, if they made rubbers for chairs and if chairs went walking."

"So they needn't insult me."

"The chair doesn't like it."

Eyes Not Open

Jack, aged seven, and Mary, six, just returned from school one noon, were excited over the arrival of a new baby at a neighbor's. Mary and her small sister, Polly, aged three, wanted to go to see it right away.

Their mother said: "Oh, I'd wait a day or two; I wouldn't go now."

Then Jack said: "Well, all right; for I don't suppose it's got its eyes open yet."

A Prize-Winner

"I hear that you won four prizes at school. Is that true?"

"Yes."

"What were they for?"

"Well, one was for excellent memory, but I forgot what the others were for."—Vancouver Province.

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A brother's sufferings claim a brother's pity.—Addison.

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ORLAND

ORLAND PARK COMMUNITY NEWS

Church Night A Great Success

The Church night held at the Orland Park M. E. Church was a great success in spite of the bad night Wednesday night. The tables were set and decorated very beautifully by the ladies of the guild. There was a good crowd there in fact almost capacity.

After the dinner Mr. C. Beagley led in some group singing following this Mr. Jorgensen of the Boy Scouts made a talk concerning the Boy Scouts and the community. Judge Dohl also talked concerning the boys. Mr. Macauley of Worth then gave a short talk on the Layman's responsibility. He was followed by Mr. Loebe who talked concerning the people and the church. Mr. Kennedy pastor of the Palos Park and Chicago Ridge church talked on the church and the larger Parish. This was followed by some readings by Mr. Perry Bishop of Worth.

CHURCH NEWS

The Orland Community will also have an opportunity to share their Christmas with the Orphan children of Lake Bluff. The letters from the orphan children will be distributed to the children and parents of the community they may provide one present that the orphan child asks for.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Beagley visited in Chicago on business and pleasure Wednesday.

A. W. Schmaedeke, one of the organizers of the Taste Tasty Peanut Company, has sold out his interest in the concern and will devote his time to the insurance business.

A road meeting will be held at the Orland school on Saturday evening, December 17 at 8 p. m.



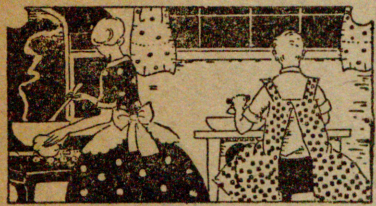
HOMEMADE CHRISTMAS CANDIES by Margaret Bruce

NOTHER of the ceremonies that make home such a likeable place at Christmas time is the making of the pretty, colorful candies to decorate the table, or fill small boxes and baskets for neighbors and friends to whom one wishes to give a little something more than a card.

A cold wintry evening is just the time to indulge in this festivity, and if a neighbor or two should be invited in to help, so much the better. The bright checkered aprons on the men and make them do the preparatory work, such as cracking the nuts and getting the meats out whole, chopping, citron, squeezing lemons, cutting angelica into strips, and halving red candied cherries.

Meanwhile at one side-table sits the lady with the fondant—that base of all the cream candies—stirring the confectioner's sugar, moistening it to the right consistency so that it will make round soft balls, and then either dipping it in boiling chocolate or stuffing it with nuts, cherries, citron, or bits of fig paste. It can be used to stuff dates, taking the place of the stone, the dates then being rolled in granulated sugar. Oh, there is no end to the decorative, luscious goodies that can be made from this cream foundation.

To make these candies look like Christmas, the liberal use of green and red is advised, either in the fondant itself or in the trimming. A box of coloring matter can be obtained at any grocery, the colors being green, pink, violet and orange. You can put a bunch of holly on a white cream by cutting wee leaves of green angelica and tiny bits of candied cherries, pressing them into the cream before it hardens. A tiny green pine tree can be cut and pressed into the top of a cream.



When these pretty Christmas candies are packed into little gay baskets or painted tin boxes, they make the most attractive sort of gift to send around the neighborhood to nearby friends, or to give the Christmas caller. In addition, the fun of making them in the company of a kitchen-full of family or neighbors makes a preliminary Christmas party that is nearly as delightful as the day itself.

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NEW LENOX

Because of the Christmas season with its various programs the moving picture committee of the M. E. church has decided to show no more pictures until after the Christmas season. The next picture will be shown January 6th.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church has decided to have a new electric water pumping system installed in the parsonage.

Thirty pupils of the M. E. Sunday School who have been in perfect attendance for a year, have been rewarded with gold pins.

The M. E. Sunday school is preparing for a wonderful Christmas program to be held Christmas eve, Saturday night December 24th. A pageant will be the chief feature.

Mr. Lorber has been appointed signal maintainer on the Rock Island between Joliet and Mokena.

A number of New Lenox people are planning to attend the sixtieth anniversary exercises at the Mokena M. E. church this week end.

MARLEY

An oyster supper will be given in the parlors of the Marley church on Friday evening, of this week, December 16th under the auspices of the Marley Brotherhood. The committee in charge is Fred Lauffer, Richard Gorham, Julian Gorham, Stanley Coe, Francis Dale, Henry Tilsey, John Handorf, Jr., Fred Helmke, Jr., and Frank Speaker. The public is invited.

Fred W. Holm of Worth visited at the Charles W. Lahmann home, Sunday.

The Marley Sunday School held their first practice for Christmas Eve exercises at the Marley church last Sunday afternoon under the leadership of Mrs. Arthur G. Lauffer, Mrs. Sidney Smith and Miss Hase. All children interested are invited to take part.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Richards and family of Congress Park visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blodgett Sunday.

Church services at the Marley church Sunday will be as follows: Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Church services at 11:00 a. m. Evening services at 7:30 p. m.

MOKENA

MOKENA M. E. NOTES

The pastor will leave the night of December 25th to attend the National Oxford Fellowship Convention of which he is secretary, and the Inter Seminary convention which will be held at the same time.

Some of our citizens are wondering why our flag is allowed to fly day and night at our public school instead of being taken down at night as flag etiquette demands.

Edw. Sklodowski, field man for Ketter, De Leuw & Co., of Chicago village engineers, and several surveyors have been working in this section locating grades and elevations for the new water main improvements to be made next spring.



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Civilization Unjustly Blamed.

Decayed teeth have been found in a skull thousands of years old. Impacted wisdom teeth can be found in skulls taken from the shell mounds around San Francisco bay and exhibited in the ethnological museum of the Affiliated colleges. The theory that civilization causes such troubles is no sounder than the decayed molars.

Songs of Troubadours

There were several kinds of songs sung by the troubadours—the canzonet, or love song; serenade, or evening song; aubade, or morning song; servante in praise of patrons, roundelay, or song with refrain or chorus; dance song accompanying the round dance, and the pastourelle, treating of Arcadian love.

Signaling by Drums

In South Africa messages are signaled by means of drums made of bark, the tappings on which can be heard many miles away. It is by this method that the defeat of Sir Redvers Buller at Colenso was made known to natives 60 miles distant in the space of two hours.

Everybody Detour

"The road to hell is paved with good intentions," but the excellence of the paving does not make the destination any more desirable.

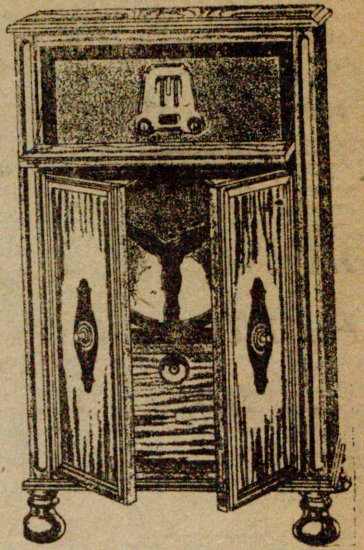
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James Monroe received all but one of the electoral votes in 1820. An elector from New Hampshire voted for John Quincy Adams in order that no President other than George Washington should have the honor of receiving a unanimous vote.

Stimulating Values of Colors.

A French experimenter tested the strength of the handgrip under colored lights, and found red was distinctly the most stimulating color, the remaining colors falling in the order: Orange, yellow, green and blue.

Jed Tunkins.

Jed Tunkins says he never could figure that "daylight saving" compensated for the loss of time by people in a railroad station who were trying to find out exactly when a train left.

The "Ozarks"

Ozark is a corruption of the French word aux arcs, and means "with bows," a term descriptive of the Indians who formerly inhabited the country.

Pretty Sure Sign

"What makes you think your husband doesn't love you any more?" "He's beginning to tell me how much he does."—Boston Transcript.

Corner Worth While

What a great and glorious thing it would be if some enterprising man would corner the trouble market.

Punished for Pugnacity

Thomas Mowbray, duke of Norfolk, was banished from England by Richard I, in 1198, for challenging and preparing to meet in single combat Henry Bolingbroke, earl of Hereford, afterward King Henry IV.

Sea Influences Volcanoes

The most active volcanic regions are the ones nearest the sea.—Science Service

Average Air Consumption

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Tinley Park, Illinois

WLS to Broadcast Hockey Games



WLS, the Sears Roebuck Station, will broadcast hockey games played in the Coliseum in Chicago all this season. The games will be those of the National Hockey League, of which the Chicago Blackhawks are a member. The hockey season will continue until March 21, 1928. Last season was the first for professional hockey, in a successful way, in Chicago. From the start of the season WLS broadcast the contests. Bert Johnston, "word a second announcer," as he is called, handled the games for WLS last year and has been secured to handle the WLS microphone at the hockey rinkside this year.

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned having quit the store business at Sollitt, I will sell at public sale at the old Hatch Hall in Mokena, commencing at 10 a. m., and continuing until all merchandise is sold on

Webnesbay, Dec. 21 1927

A LOT OF DRY GOODS, MEN'S, LADIES AND CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR, NOTIONS, SHOES OF ALL SIZES AND MANY OTHER ARTICLES TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION.

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MOKENA

Peter Michelsen underwent a major operation at the Roseland Community hospital Wednesday. He was on the operating table for over two hours. He is getting along as well as can be expected.

Dr. E. G. MacMahon underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Silver Cross hospital, Joliet the past week. He is doing nicely.

Cooper and Hostert had a new Ford car on display at their garage from 5 o'clock Friday morning to 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Milton Krapp is convalescing nicely from a recent serious operation.

Mokena High School students will sing Christmas Carols Thursday night, December 22nd. A candle in the window will mean we are to stop and sing for you.

A very elaborate Christmas program will be presented at the St. John Evangelical church on Saturday night, Christmas eve.

New gift lettering has been placed on the Mokena Bank windows. Grandpa Barnes who has been very ill, is slightly improved.

CARD OF THANKS

We express our sincerest thanks to all our neighbors, friends and relatives for their many acts of kindness shown us during our bereavement in the death of our beloved father Carl Mau. We also wish to thank the Rev. W. J. Cramer for his comforting words, the singers, for the floral offerings and those who so kindly donated the use of cars.

THE MAU FAMILY

Alvin Spiess underwent an operation at the Silver Cross hospital the past week. He is getting along nicely at latest reports.

MOKENA M. E. CHURCH NOTES
Glen T. Beaty, Pastor.
Sunday School 10:30 A. M.
Evening Worship 7:00 P. M.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found the final reminder of our 60th Anniversary program, to be in the form of a series of meetings with fine music and great speakers, from Thursday until Sunday afternoon. The Sunday afternoon meeting will hold interest for every person in Mokena and vicinity. We will be looking for you. Dr. Beck of Evanston is the speaker at that time. The hour? Three o'clock.

At the regular Sunday school hour next Sunday morning, we invite the parents to be with us to witness the awarding of certificates and other acknowledgements of individual record throughout the year.

This service will be our special Christmas Sunday school service, and the Children's Sunday school Christmas will be given them at this time. It will be conducted in a different way than in former years, but in a most helpful and joyous way, we are sure.

There will be no services at our church on Christmas Sunday. This will allow for Christmas at home. The children will be wanted at home on Christmas morning.

The telegraph office of the local depot has been newly painted and new furniture installed.

Mrs. Harvey Frick has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Oscar Klose, Sr., entertain-

ed the M. E. Ladies Aid Society on last Thursday.

Mrs. Lizzie Moriarty reports she is enjoying the Florida summer weather.

Byron Nelson has received word that his father Fred Nelson, is very low at a Chicago hospital. He has been ill for sometime.

Mrs. August Pfeleger had an aluminum demonstration at her home Friday evening.

Mrs. Laurabelle Groth of Chicago has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Klose, Sr.

Joseph Kolber who recently underwent an operation in a Chicago hospital is improving nicely.

Mrs. Charles Hacker has been visiting at St. Elmo, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hicky, have moved into the Krapp flat. Mr. Hicky is the local A. & P. store manager.

ORLAND

A very elaborate Christmas program will be rendered at the Christ Lutheran church on Christmas eve. There will be many musical numbers. A wonderful Christmas tree will be a feature to delight the tiny tots as well as the older ones. Every one is invited. On Christmas Day a special Christmas service will be held in the morning.

CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our neighbors and friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy shown us in our late bereavement in the death of our beloved mother. We also wish to thank all who sent floral offerings.

W. C. ANDRES AND FAMILY
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JOHN WITTE AND FAMILY

LOST

A UNIVERSAL BATTERY BETWEEN TINLEY PARK GARAGE AND MY HOME ON 187th ST. FINDER PLEASE NOTIFY W. B. COMBS, TINLEY PARK, ILL.

Conscience Not Mocked

He who commits a wrong will himself inevitably see the writing on the wall, though the world may not count him guilty.—Tupper.

Shaft Would Have Value

It is strange that an expedition into the earth's interior has never been seriously attempted. If we could sink a shaft only twelve miles into the ground we might strike all the coal and oil that would be needed in millions of years. In all likelihood we should find radium, gold, silver, diamonds, and other gems of untold wealth, as well as wonderful new metals and fresh sources of energy.—Exchange.

Games Bring Revenue

During the football season the British government benefits to the extent of about \$100,000 a week from the taxes paid on games.

USED LUMBER

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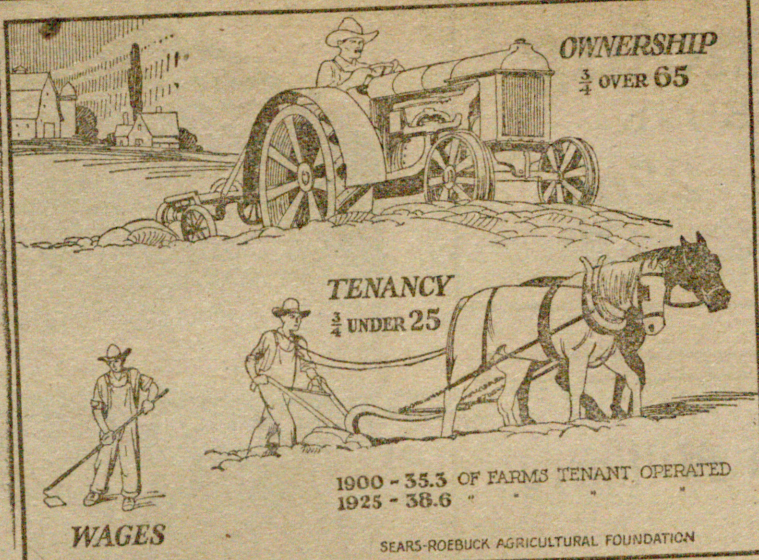
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When Christmas Comes



Farm Tenancy Makes Slow Gains

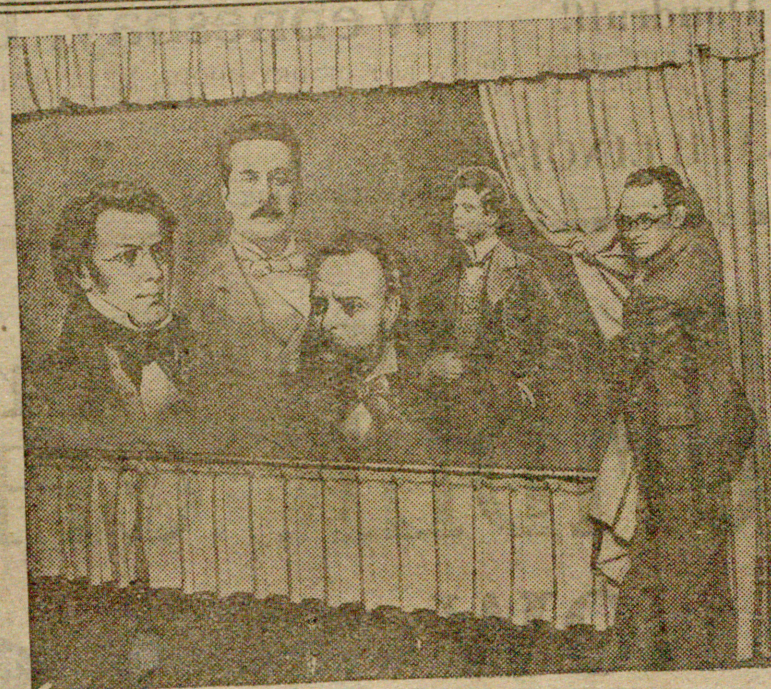


THE increase in farm tenancy in the United States in the last twenty-five years has been comparatively slow, says the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation. In 1925, 38.6 per cent of all farms were operated by tenants compared with 35.3 per cent in 1900, according to the census bureau. From 1890 to 1900, however, tenancy increased 25.6 per cent to 35.3 per cent of all farms.

In many cases, tenancy is merely the stepping stone between working for wages on the farm and farm ownership, according to investigations by the United States Department of Agriculture. Nearly half of the tenants, it was found, had previously worked for wages. Three-fourths of the farmers under twenty-five years of age were tenants, while three-fourths of those over sixty-five years were owners. Cases in which men slip backward are not wanting, as about one out of every nine tenants once owned his own farm.

Absentee landlordism is rare. More than 90 per cent of rented farms are owned by landlords living nearby and only 5 per cent are ex-farmers. Out of the state in which the farm is located. Most landlords are ex-farmers, and four-fifths of them own only one farm. According to the 1925 farm census, 30 per cent of the tenants in the north central states were related to the landlord.

Plays Searchlight on Old Masters



Delving into the pages of musical history and bringing to light intimate stories of those old masters who have made that history, is the job which Donald F. Malin, Musical Director of WLS, the Sears Roebuck Station, Chicago, has cut out for himself.

If radio had done nothing else it would have rendered a service worthy of its power in bringing before the public mind names which for centuries past have been associated with musical progress. The average radio listener used in mentioning his favorite movie star a few years back. But Malin goes beyond the mere calling of names. He gets into the lives of the early masters and brings to light interesting facts concerning their home life, their musical learnings and those factors which influenced their music, and the music of their day.

Malin's remarks are punctuated with musical sketches of his own rendition, illustrative of the mind and technique of the artist of whom he is speaking. This feature, which is called "Personalities in Music" and which is broadcast every Tuesday night at 7:30 from WLS, has become one of the station's most popular offerings.

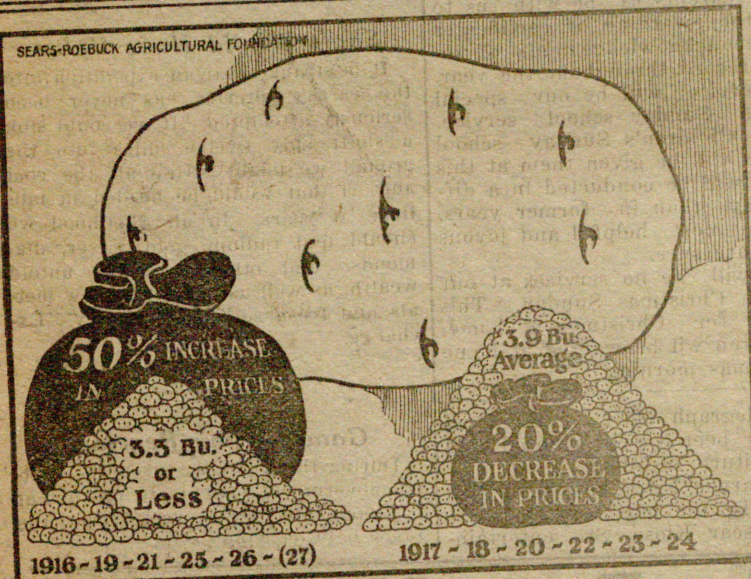
Live Models Used in Radio Broadcast



Live models illustrating every type of beauty and an extensive wardrobe containing just the proper clothing for each type are the "studio properties" which Blanche E. Chenoweth uses to illustrate her talks over WLS, Sears Roebuck Station, Chicago.

Mrs. Chenoweth, whose practical and helpful lectures have been heard and enjoyed by thousands of women listeners, brings into employ a new thought in the matter of costume design. The face, Mrs. Chenoweth believes, is the standard upon which charm and attractive costuming is based. It is the loveliest thing about one and every detail of apparel should lead up to the face as the center of attraction. The eyes, the hair and the complexion automatically decide the colors which can be worn to best advantage. The contour and profile is also a determining factor. In the picture Mrs. Chenoweth is shown with three distinct types of beauty, the round type, the pointed type and the square type. The tilt of a hat, the addition of a straight line here and a curve there, all go to make up the ensemble which is the well dressed woman. Mrs. Chenoweth actually works on the models before her as her talk progresses, a factor which goes far to make her broadcasts interesting as well as instructive.

Fewer Potatoes Bring Higher Prices



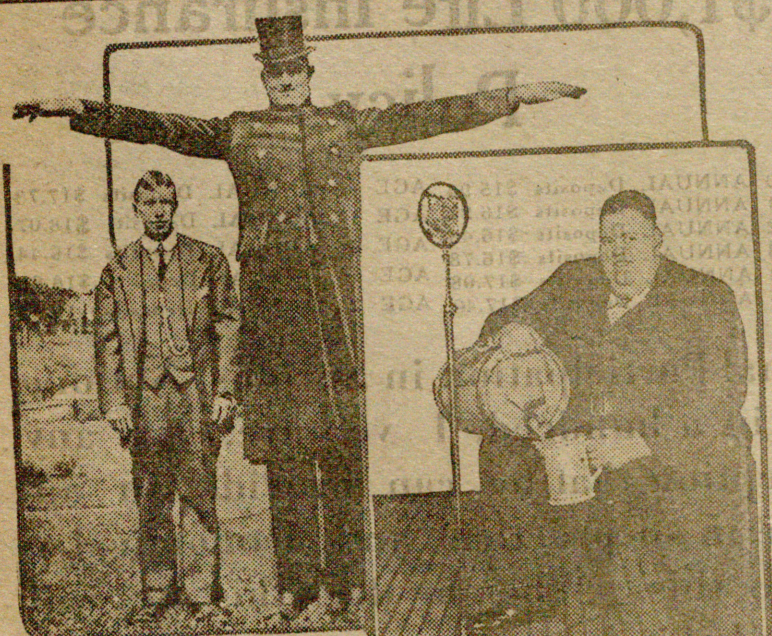
HIGH prices for potatoes during the winter and spring have usually prevailed when the per capita production was near or below three bushels. A yield of around four bushels per capita has just as surely been followed by falling prices, says the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation.

This comment is particularly pertinent since the per capita allotment from this year's potato crop, as estimated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is only 3.3 bushels. The average of the past twenty years has been 3.9 bushels.

Potato prices are very sensitive to changes in supply. The quantity consumed tends to remain relatively constant regardless of the price. People are unwilling to decrease their consumption of potatoes when they are expensive or to increase their usual rations when they are cheap.

From 1916 to 1926, five crops, on a per capita basis, have been as small or smaller than the 1927 yield. The price in the Chicago wholesale market in September of these years averaged \$2.42 per 100 pounds. In the following March, it averaged \$3.61, an increase of \$1.19 or nearly 50 per cent. In the six years when the per capita production averaged 3.9 bushels, prices declined from September to March on the average from \$1.83 to \$1.45, or more than 20 per cent.

National Barn Dance Directors Named



The National Barn Dance at WLS, the Sears Roebuck Station, has become an institution and as an institution it had to have a board of directors. Not a president and a vice president as is generally the case but a directorate worthy of the organization. What is a barn dance without a keg of cider? What then a board of directors without a cider sipper? Nominations were in order and Matt Barth of Chicago, who tips the beam at 415 pounds, was named over tons of competitors as High Esteemed Cider Sipper. Carl Sandell of Denver, who is just nine inches short of being nine feet tall without his Colorado, was head and shoulders above all competition and became official Web Sweeper. The other officers in this unique board of directors are Official Clod Hopper, John S. Murphy, whose feet are encased in size 140 Handle, because his water supply comes from a well 1,300 feet deep.

A Christmas Prayer

By AMY BARRON LEONARD
in Kansas Farmer

O God, I ask no worldly gifts,
But give I pray, memories of happiness
That I have known;
And to this add forgetfulness
Of sorrows and darkened paths.
Let me alone
For any selfish grief, by joyfulness
And smiling see, this Christmas Day,
The star that shone,
To guide the Wise Men on their way.

downs to see the candles on the Christmas tree and see her oksheda dancing with joy.

Then came the wedding, and for three years she had not known where to find the "oksheda wechasta."

The paper—ah, yes. It told who Robert was. His father had been a second son from Devonshire, who had sought his fortune in the great Northwest. It told how the young wife could not stand the hardships; how the father, too, had surrendered to the storm-king's fury one Christmas Eve; how he had cached his rich find under the rock that resembled the owl near the source of the river; how he had wrapped his greentoe about wee Robert and prayed the Great Spirit to save him.

"A great Christmas for us all, Robert; but it is the oksheda I'm thinking of most. With the war come and the business gone, there wasn't to be much Christmas—but now! See, lad, die, the storm is breaking; the sun is beginning to shine. My cert! My cert!"

"There, there, lassie, here comes the little shaver. Mind you don't let him in here till I go to the store again. There are toys and things to be put on the tree. The way it's come to us on Christmas, I know we'll find the gold."

When the snows melted they made the journey together. This year, as usual, the oksheda with the golden curls and the oksheda wechasta with the black mustache are trimming the gorgeous tree that stands in the bay window of the beautiful farmhouse near the river's source. The sleigh bells jingle merrily as the cutter stops outside with a load of little Indian boys from the settlement, who are brought each year to share the festival of the "Oksheda's Christmas."

And down by the brink of the river is the rock that resembles an owl.

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Today.

There is a thing called yesterday, but that is only the dust-bin at the door, into which we cast our refuse, our failures, our worn-out souls. There is a thing called tomorrow, bursting with far better things than those which we have discarded. But in today the whole passionate force of the universe is poured—and therefore today is marvellous.—S. P. B. Mais.

Topper's Glass

The British museum has acquired a new treasure—a yard of ale. It is an ale glass a yard high, narrow at the base, but larger at the top. Fifty years ago it belonged to a young man who was a topper. It is the glass with

Oksheda's Christmas

by Noni C. Bailey

"Whose oksheda washta daw?" was the semi-Sioux greeting of the plump, little Scotch Canadian mother as the sunny-haired young laddie came running into the kitchen, where already the porridge was cooked and the tea brewing for breakfast on this, his second Christmas. She caught him in her arms and tossed him high above her head.

"Whose very good boy?" was what she had said, partly in the language she had learned from her husband. His nurse had been one of those squaws of the picturesque type still to be seen in Manitoba. In summer they come, selling wild red raspberries or choke-cherries; in winter, trudging on snowshoes into the village to visit their customers.

Hugging the little lad to her breast, the rosy mother half sobbed as she tried to say it cheerfully. "Whose oksheda washta daw?" Even as she repeated the greeting, the door swung open and a sudden gust of wind swept the fine, dry snow, like blinding dust, into her face. Before her stood one of these old Indian women, apparently exhausted from a long journey through the storm.

"Oksheda washta daw?" she gasped, then continued in her native tongue, "Wichyenna, you speak the language of my people. You speak the cry of my heart. Last night I read it in the rainbow-hued streamers of light from the north—the night wind sang it—oksheda!"

The wrinkled old face twisted into a pained smile as she sank in a heap by the kitchen fire. A bit of paper fluttered to the floor from her hand.

"The Great Spirit calls—it is the end of the trail," she whispered as the little mother bent over her, anxiously chafing her hands. She saw the faded old eyes suddenly brighten, then close suddenly—it was the end of the trail.

"See, see," said the little lad, holding up the scrap of paper which had fallen from the squaw's hand. Opening it reverently, the Canadian woman exclaimed, "My cert! It's an ill wind that blows nobody good, sure enough. Her oksheda!"

She rushed into the living room, where her "oksheda wechasta" (married boy) was lighting the candles on the scantily decorated Christmas tree.

"Look, Robert, on Christmas Day it has come. The mystery and all—see! It is the oksheda's Christmas!" she exclaimed, as she gave him the crumpled paper to read.

Robert had been found when a baby by a band of Indians. Only the old squaw who had come to the end of the trail this Christmas morning knew the paper existed. All night long in the blinding snow storm she had traveled on her snowshoes—traveled that she might find some one to whom she could tell the story.

All these years she had guarded the paper, which she could not read, feeling that in some way it would bring good fortune to the oksheda who had seemed her very own little white baby. She had loved him so. She was afraid to show the paper to her people—the paper she had found hidden in his clothing. She was afraid she might lose him if they knew. Then one day he wandered out of her sight and the M. P. had found him by the lake alone.

No white man was found to claim him. The Indians were afraid to. Their white brothers would ask them to explain and often their white brothers did not believe. His foster mother loved him; but she, too, was afraid. So—she hugged the bit of paper to her heart and kept silent vigil.

The M. P. took the lad home and hired an Indian nurse from the settlement to care for him. Every summer the old squaw came with her pall of red raspberries, only to grunt her thanks and look furtively about her to assure herself that all was well with the boy, then chuckle to herself as she patted her breast where the precious paper lay. In winter she would sometimes look through the open spaces in the frost-covered win-

Too Pessimistic

"I suppose," he ventured, "you would never speak to me again if I were to kiss you?" "Oh, George!" she exclaimed, "why don't you get out of the habit of always looking on the dark side of things?"

Seedless, Coreless Apple

A Quebec tree bears seedless, less apples of fine quality.

Dearborn Independent.

FRANKFORT

Henry Haake is seriously ill in his home.

Mrs. George Schroeder Sr., who was reported somewhat better is not so well at present.

Mrs. Homer Smith entertained the afternoon pinocle club at her home Friday afternoon. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Herbert Bruggeman and Mrs. Frank Cheney. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Chas. Pfaff Sr., December 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson of Joliet entertained the Tuesday evening card club at their home, Dec. 13.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will give a bakery sale in the room formerly occupied by Mr. Leoshardt, the shoe maker in the Heisner and Mager garage, Saturday, December 17 at 2 o'clock.

Lester Van Bogh is building a new home in Joliet which they expect to occupy as soon as completed.

Word was received of the death of Mr. Fred Ritzman of Monee, Ill. He passed away at his home last Friday. Funeral was held Monday afternoon in Monee. Mr. Ritzman formerly lived on a farm southeast of Green Garden.

Frankfort M. E. Church held quarterly conference Thursday afternoon, Dr. Lumsden presiding.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartel Heisner entertained at dinner, Sunday.

Services at the Frankfort M. E. church for Dec. 18, are as follows: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Preaching services at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Samuel Weishaar, pastor.

The Sunday school and Bible class teachers met in the St. Peter's church Monday evening to get ready for the Christmas exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cheney spent Sunday in Chicago with friends.

The sale of Conrad Sangmeister last Saturday was fairly attended things going very reasonable. Mr. and Mrs. Sangmeister will move to Joliet where they have purchased a home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pfeifer and daughters Ella Marie and Burnette

were guests at the George Pfeifer home in Chicago Heights, Sunday.

Mrs. Frankie Tinker spent a few days the past week in Custer Park with her sister, Mrs. Tanner.

The C. B. B. club met with Mrs. Fred Warning, Friday afternoon.

Miss Leona Staffenberg a teacher in our public school was absent a few days owing to a bad cold. She resumed her duties again Wednesday morning.

Dr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark and son of Oak Park, Ill., will soon leave for Hot Springs, Ark., where Dr. Clark will take treatments for rheumatism.

Several from Frankfort attended the funeral Monday of Mr. Ritzman in Monee.

The Public Service Cooking demonstration of the Home Service Department that was to be given at the St. Peter's church last Thursday afternoon was not given as the Church Board would not let them demonstrate there. The Public Service will give their Cooking demonstration some time later as soon as they can secure Eva Hawkins Shanks. Just now her days are all taken the date and place will be announced later by their representative.

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WORTH

WORTH COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

A great Christmas week is being planned by the Worth Community church for the entire community.

On Wednesday evening December 21 at 8 p. m. there will be a special Christmas service by the choir, the song and story of the "The Other Wise Man" it is going to be something very fine and will set the Christmas spirit.

On Thursday evening there will



AURA WORTHLEY had passed her thirtieth birthday some years since, and although she was possessed of more than ordinary good looks, coupled with a good disposition and an inherent ability for home making, she had never had a proposal of marriage. Once, some one had almost spoken the words—Laura often thought of that wonderful evening since—but just as it seemed that the fateful moment had arrived Aunt Mabel had come seeking her for something or another. Next day Robert Barrett had left Lindenfield and Laura had never heard from him since.

The passing of time had eased the pain in her heart and she had managed to go about and show a smiling face to the world, but often she felt



very, very lonely. But she told herself that she had no right to think of Robert; he was probably married and settled down long before now in that far-off land where his company had sent him.

But, always as Christmas approached she found herself thinking of him and picturing the home that might have been theirs together. Aunt Mabel had been dead two years now, and since her death Laura had felt very much alone in the world, in spite of many friends.

But every year at Christmas time her cousin Vera, a widow of limited means, came to spend the holidays with her, and always at this time she gave a party for the young people. And lest any of them might be thwarted of love and a proposal, as she had been, she saw to it that plenty of mistletoe was in evidence.

She looked very beautiful now as she welcomed her guests to her annual party. She was one whom years give new and added charm in recompense for the rosy flush of youth that they steal, and as she walked to the door to answer a new peal of the bell, she would have attracted attention anywhere.

Opening the heavy door she looked without. A little cry sprang to her lips, for there she saw Robert Barrett. A rush of joy, of wonder, of delight, flooded her whole being. He had come—he still loved her—else, why would he be here?

Steadying herself by the doorway she bade him welcome, and as she recovered from the sudden rush of joy at seeing him again, her voice grew cool and composed as she assured herself that his coming meant nothing more than a friendly visit—that even should he be still unwed, it would be some one younger, fairer than she that he would now seek.

He seemed rather ill at ease, and he blundered and stammered so when he spoke, that his voice was almost drowned in the sounds of gay laughter and music that came from beyond. Then, suddenly, without warning, his arms reached out and he clasped Laura close and she felt his kisses upon her lips. He was asking

the question that she wanted most to hear, and he was telling her that she meant all the world to him. When they both came back to earth he showed her the spray of mistletoe above them: "It gave me the courage I lacked long ago," he whispered.

Later he told her why he had never written. Aunt Mabel had spoken to him the evening before he left, and had told him that it would not be fair to tie Laura with a promise; also she had hinted of another man who was more favored. The company had just brought him back to Lindenfield, and as soon as he got in, learning that Laura was still free, he had come.

And because it was Christmas time, and also because the years that were coming held a wonderful promise for them, and they could afford to be generous, there was no resentment in their hearts for the thing Aunt Mabel had tried to do.

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be Carol singing throughout the community. All who desire to take part will meet at the church about 7 p. m. Those who wish to have carols sung to them in their homes will place a lighted candle in the window, thus reviving an old custom of Christmas.

Friday evening there will be a party at the church for the small boys following this the Athletic club will meet.

Saturday evening will be the Christmas program. We are going to give as well as receive this year. The children in the Lake Bluff Orphans home are all writing letters to the boys and girls, mothers and fathers of Orland Park and Worth. These letters will be given out to all. Each little orphan boy or girl will list the things he wants Santa to bring him. The people of these communities will in this way play Santa to the little Orphans.

WORTH COMMUNITY NEWS

Bazaar Big Success

The Worth Community Church annual bazaar was a great success. The ladies of the community worked very hard in getting it ready. The church was decorated in Christmas colors and there was many nice things on sale. Every one seemed to have a very nice time. There was a fine spirit of fellowship that is not often found as was experienced that night. They made over \$360.00.

NEW GARAGE FOR WORTH

Mr. Grant Poorman who has been with Mr. Harold Ferrin is now starting up for himself in the old blacksmith shop of Mr. Rusts.

Goodfellowship Club to Provide Community Christmas Tree

The Goodfellowship club have voted to provide the Community Christmas tree the same as last year. The tree will be set up in the church yard decorated and lighted. Christmas eve the entire community will be served by Santa Claus after the services in the church.



THREE words meaning more to more people than almost any other greeting or salutation or phrase. Three words fraught with significance.

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They know the full meaning of A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

There are the almost-happy people. People who sometimes bicker and quarrel, make speeches only half-meant which sound twice as harsh. Christmas comes and they rouse themselves. After all, there is happiness for them. The wives with loving slowness make little sacrifices and buy the husbands gifts they know will be acceptable. The husbands rush at the last minute into gaily decorated shops, purchasing those gifts they know will be acceptable. They have paid more attention of late. They have noticed what was missing, what was wanted. Arriving home a little late the very sound of their steps has a new crispness, their voices joviality and affection.

They jog themselves up. They have A Merry Christmas.

There are the poor families, buying what toys they can for their children who have the same eyes as all children. Eyes which see doll's carriages, trains of cars, dolls, mechanical toys, books. Eyes which look deeply into the windows of shops. Perhaps those more financially fortunate will lead them into shops and let them realize some of their dreams.

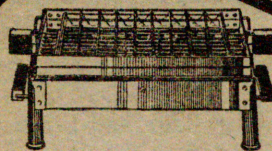
There are the charity children, children who receive dinners given by charitable organizations, being photographed so that those who are independent may feel undisturbed by all that they possess. Children whose pictures reveal at times a little shame, a little shyness that they must be photographed when eating a regular meal. And yet they know the meaning of Christmas, too. This, for them, is good luck. Perhaps it can be made better.

A Merry Christmas. Three words—but synonymous with those three words are many others—children, children's gay, excited, happy voices, parents with home-coming sons and daughters, gifts and generosity. Christmas trees, appealingly empty stockings left by the trusting on Christmas Eve, cordiality, true humanity.

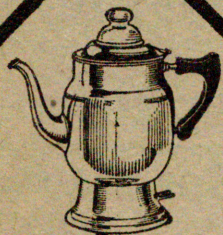
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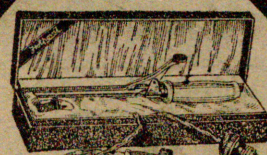
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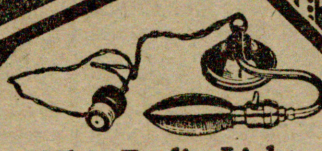
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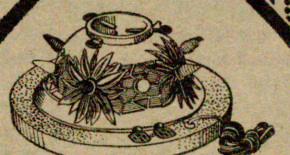
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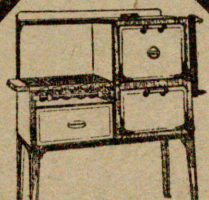
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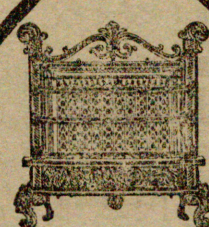
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STORY FROM THE START

On the verge of nervous collapse, due to overwork, Gay Delane, successful New York artist, seeks rest at Idle Island. She rents a cottage, the "Lone Pine," from an island character, the "Captain," and his sister, Alice Andover, "administrator." Gay finds the cottage is tenanted by an elderly lady, "Auntalmiry," who consents to move to another abode, the "Apple Tree." Awakening from sleep, Gay imagines she sees the face of a Chinaman peering in the window.

CHAPTER II—Continued

Roused by this rude thought from the sweet fantasy of dreams, she got up from the couch, and felt about her with outstretched groping hands. Deciding, logically, to follow the walls until she came to the kitchen door, knowing she would find matches over the kitchen gas stove, she crept along the wall to the left, working her way, hand following hand, until she found them at last, struck two together, hurriedly, and was glad to have the full light of electricity flooding the room. Doors and windows stood open to the night as when Auntalmiry left in the afternoon. But on consulting her watch, Gay was amazed to find it was the hour of midnight.

"Well, I slept," she said philosophically.

On the kitchen table she found her basket of groceries, and feeling somewhat refreshed she took a real interest in unpacking its contents and arranging them neatly on shelves in the little wall cupboard. Carefully she closed and locked the doors and windows.

She opened a can of prepared soup and heated it, made toast, opened a jar of pickles.

For the first time since she left New York, she was sufficiently rested to feel a mental reaction to her environment.

She arranged her modest supper on a tray, and took it to the wall-seat by the window which looked down over the bay. The wriggling, wrinking lines of many little colored lights in the black showed where boats rode out the night at anchor. Intermittently the black was mellowed, turned to white mist, by the sliding rays of a lighthouse searchlight.

"Nice," she said to herself. "I like it. I'm glad I came. Auntalmiry is a dear, the Captain is a lamb, and that administrator person who tries to be so very bossy is a kind, sweet, generous fraud."

Remembering then that she had not yet so much as seen the upper story of her new home, she left the tray in the window, and, cup of soup in her hand, went up at once to explore, switching on the lights of the stairway from the lowest step. She found it modest enough above the stairs, but clean and fresh, all to her liking. There was a large closet on the landing, and to the left, a nicely appointed bathroom. The bedroom was large and cheerfully bright in furnishing, a bed, an old bureau, a commode and two small chairs matching.

Her natural energy somewhat restored by the long sleep, Gay carried her bags upstairs and unpacked them, folding the little silken garments away into drawers that smelled sweetly of cedar. She had brought with her nothing but the sheerest necessities for wearing. Her weariness had been so great that her only desire, her only thought, had been to escape, escape from work, escape from the city, find rest.

Gay Delane, not a New Yorker by birth, had become one by labor. Work was her daily bread. She counted accomplishment the end of life, success its great reward. With Gay Delane there was no interest as to one's possession, from whence one came, nor from what family line had sprung. The sole point of personality to her was this: "What is he doing? What has he done?"

The death of both parents in quick succession had thrown her upon her own resources at the age of seventeen. The last of the family funds, the insurance, all had gone into a final year of practical preparation for life-work, in which, with the incongruously blended driving of necessity and desire, she had studied stenography, and at the same time continued her classes in art under the best teachers obtainable.

"I've got to work—but I am going to paint," she said.

From the strictly clerical work she had been obliged to accept at first, bread-and-butter work she called it, she had gradually worked away from it, getting into things more to her taste and her talent, and at last, when she was able, abandoning it altogether. Black and white copies of style figures, fashion pages, hack work of illustration, all grist to Gay; and always, through the formative years, she kept some hours, mostly at night and on Sunday, for more advanced study.

For the definite business of earning a living, she had a remunerative connection with the advertising house of Burnham and Morey, for whom she did conventional paintings in bright colors at their order. The work not only paid very well, but was varied in type, usually interesting, and exercised the artistic virtues of a quick eye and finger for striking color effects. But always, besides this, she

kept on, studying better things, painting in all her hours of leisure the things her heart desired.

From the day she had entered upon the study of stenography, in her seventeenth year, Gay had never allowed herself time for a full and complete vacation, sufficient to give both soul and body recuperation. She said she hadn't time, there was too much to learn, too much to do. Even her one memorable trip abroad, although it continued over a year, had afforded her no rest, for in addition to her studies she had taken with her also a contract for a series of pictures for the Sunday Magazine, so that she returned to New York at last afire with zeal, aflame with ambition, and far less rested than when she went.

But outraged flesh and violated nerves claimed their revenge at last for the eleven years' defiance. For fully six months before the final June torrent of heat forced her into full surrender, she had been a prey to quivering nerves that jangled in a jaded body, and when the inevitable forced itself upon her, she accepted it with a certain joy. If she must rest, she would make that rest a sport. If she must go into retirement, the exile should be a luxurious one. Perhaps—who knew?—even on a good little island of idleness might lurk some stimulant for an ardent though flagging spirit. Adventure perhaps, amusement certainly, or even—ah, Romance!

Gay, most ardent of free-soul advocates, decrying though she did the



She Counted Accomplishment the End of Life.

hampering confines of marriage, turned always sensitive heart-string to the strumming fingers of Romance.

Marriage, Gay argued, was not designed for the ambitious worker. For the complacent, for the self-satisfied, for the indolent, all very well; perhaps; but marriage and ambition, passion for accomplishment, were never messmates. Gay's first romance, tender sweet blossom of her ardent young womanhood, joyously promised the full fruition of marriage "when the war is over," lay buried with the soldier who did not come back. And Gay's first passion of grief soon subsided into a philosophical reflection that perhaps after all it was better so, that she was not domestic, not the type for husband and home life. That experience confirmed her in her determination to live alone. Alone, but not lonely. Free, but not unloved.

Ah, if on the good and idle island should come a fresh awakening for her stilled affections!

"Lumley Lane, for instance," she thought whimsically. "Lumley the lobster-man. A stern and silent nature, bronzed and bearded."

She smiled to herself as she turned

out the lights and slipped into bed. The room was steeped in the essence of evergreen. Gay slept, glad for the silence of the Idle Island.

Next morning she wrote a note to her friend, Nancy Moore, asking to have her easel crated and shipped to her, with her paints, her canvases, any many of the pretty useful things of her studio which would add to the charm of her new home.

"It is the Land of Leisure," she wrote, "the Land of Emotional Leisure. It is Idle Island, the World of Wasted Effort, the Center of Silence. Every one works, but the work amounts to nothing. Every one is intensely busy, but it is the business of passing time. Every one is persistently intent on doing, but it is the doing of nothing at all. Soft, slow, unburied—"

"Hallo!" It was a human voice that boomed out upon the silence like a neighboring foghorn that aroused Gay from the mellow mildness of her picture.

She ran to the door, startled at the sudden vocal crash in the stillness, startled more greatly when she saw the ferocious apparition at her door. An immense man, a monster of a man, with a tuft of bristling orange-colored beard, and a great shock of bristling orange-colored hair, and a great round face like a giant orange, with pink-rimmed pale blue eyes.

"Hallo," he boomed again, with a broad pink smile of greeting.

"Hullo," stammered Gay.

"Lobsters," he shouted. "Auntalmiry says lobsters."

"Ah, yes." A fleeting reminiscent smile for the Lobster-man of her fancies. "You are the Lobster-man?"

"Yup. That's me. Lumley Lane. How many?"

She told him to bring her a lobster twice a week.

"Lobsters," he shouted, "run about fifty or sixty cents."

Lumley said his woman would boil them for her without extra charge. He frowned portentously. "She'll boil them, that is, long as she's able. She's—expecting."

"Expecting?" Gay echoed faintly.

"Yup. Increase." His facetious grin was illuminating.

"Oh, how nice!"

"Well, yes. Unexpected. Very. Been married twenty year' now. Nothing doin'. All of a sudden—yup, there you are!—She's skeered," he volunteered cheerfully. "She's afeard o' dyin'." She says it a'n't according to natur'.

"Oh, tell her not to be frightened."

Gay comforted. "It often happens. And is there a hospital on the island?"

"She won't go to no hospital. She says she don't trust these newfangled nurses. Highly-tighty. She'd rather trust to the women comin' in, the old way."

"If I am here then I'll be glad to help, if I can," Gay offered generously. "I was in the hospital for five months during the war, in training, and I'm not a bit highy-tighty."

"Well, now, that's real neighborly, miss. First-rate. I'll tell my woman you said so. She'll be countin' on ye."

"Oh, I am quite expert with babies. It was the only thing they had time to teach us before the war ended. They seemed to think the army wasn't going to do much but increase the population."

Lumley Lane burst into a loud haw-haw, and set off down the hill.

Gay ran to her desk and added a postscript to her letter to Nancy Moore.

"I am not going to have an affair with the lobster-man, after all, dear. He is not as stern and silent as I expected. Besides, he is expecting."

CHAPTER III

Midsummer was gala time for all the chilly little islands of the North. Every day the Community house on the bay shore beneath Gay's grassy hill slope was open for bridge and tea, and every Saturday night offered its New England shore dinner, followed by dancing to the strains of a real jazz orchestra with saxophone accompaniment, playing the popular song

about 1875, taking considerable furniture with them, among which were several pieces which had been handed down from generation to generation, and the pine dresser was one of those pieces. Now it has an honored place in the collection, and may finally be returned to the descendants of the original owners, who are residing in a Middle Western city.—From the Antiquarian.

The island was three or more miles in length, barely one mile wide, a rugged line of rock fronting the Atlantic along the east, and drifting down gradually to a slow low valley slope of emerald green on the bay shore. A motor road led up from the landing beyond the Captain's house, and there at the bend, turned backward along the shore. But leading the other way, into the forest, were only dwindling trails. In the foreground of the forest lay a long row of pretty summer houses, fringing the woods and looking off down the grassy slope to the bay.

While many of the later generations of Wallace had gone into professional work and removed to other states, many also remained on the island, where they had married and intermarried, so that fully half the native population was linked up together by ties of blood or marriage, and oftentimes by both, a network so intricate that only the more obvious forms of relationship were given acknowledgement.

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hits of the season not more than twice removed. There were auto parties, boating parties, beach parties, bathing parties. At dusk every fine night she could count the slihty fires of half a dozen or more shore parties, where clams were baking, potatoes roasting, or lobsters broiling.

But Gay did not share in the gayety and the summer holiday life of the island. She reveled in rest, in freedom from the nervous pressure of an impatient city jogging her elbow. When her easel and paints arrived, she installed a studio in one corner of the big bright living room of the Lone Pine, and felt at peace with the world.

Auntalmiry was her friend. Auntalmiry was everybody's friend. She was a sort of unendowed institution, she went with the island. But although Auntalmiry no longer worked for a living, not as we speak of working for a living, she earned her keep, because she did what she could. Whenever there was fruit to can in the house of a native islander, jelly to make, or tomatoes to pickle, Auntalmiry, although not hired for the occasion, was always there, always at work.

For fifty years, she had presided at the arrival of all the small expected ones around Evergreen. She had sat up with the sick, mourned with the sad, wept over the dead. She kept everybody's children while mothers went shopping, played bridge, or had more children.

And for all these things, as Auntalmiry gave in service, she was paid in kind. Winter apples, potatoes, squashes, jellies and canned fruit filled her larder. She had a charge account at the Pier grocery store, but her monthly bills were rendered, not to her, but to the administrator, as was right.

Auntalmiry had her own bank account, too. It was a small bank account, but like the widow's oil and meal it never diminished, but rather grew a little, curiously, now and then. Its nucleus was her identical bank account of thirty years before, when she was obliged after a severe illness to give up, once and forever, all actively remunerative labor.

No one, however, considered Auntalmiry an object of charity nor did she so consider herself. She did what she could. She received what she needed.

"Why, it is socialism," Gay cried enthusiastically. "The very principle of socialism, applied, effective and practical!"

But Mrs. Andover drew herself up coldly. "Not by any means," she said sternly. "Such an idea! Socialism is one of those new-fangled notions brought over from Russia or one of those bolshevik countries. We don't hold to such things on our island."

With the familiar and much loved paraphernalia of her profession about her, and with all of her pretty personal possessions to soften the rugged austerity of her surroundings, Gay settled down with comfortable anticipations of long and lovely leisure for leisurely work. Every day she went out for a long walk through the shivering little forest that backed the cottage, and down to the rocky shore, and as strength returned, her spirit of adventure quickened also. Each day she fared farther, always with greater joy, and daily daring steeper cliffs and rougher walls of rock.

Comprising in all some seven hundred acres, the island had originally been occupied exclusively by three families of sturdy seafaring stock: the Wallaces, the McAndlers and the Marlings. The first settler of all was the grandfather of the present Captain. He, always referred to as the First Captain Wallace, had come there with his sons and daughters, his servants and his boats, and settled down to carry on a wide and prosperous fish and lobster traffic, incidental to his sailing trade. His children had married, cottages sprang up in the woods and the wild growth every year was pushed farther and farther back to make way for gardens, orchards and lawns.

Others came to the island, some for holidays, some in service, and married, and remained. The early teachers of the little public school grew old in labor, and retired to private life, but did not go away. Lobster trappers came for a season, and settled for life. Later, as modern conveniences added comfort to island life, many who were engaged in clerical or professional work in Portland built permanent homes near the ferry landing, and crossed the bay to their work in the morning, and back to their island homes at night.

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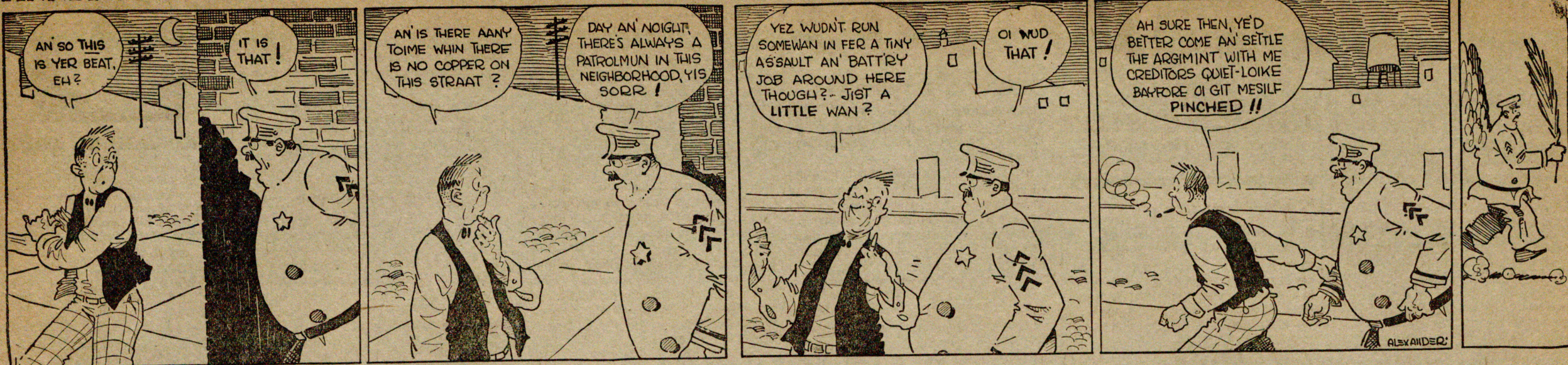
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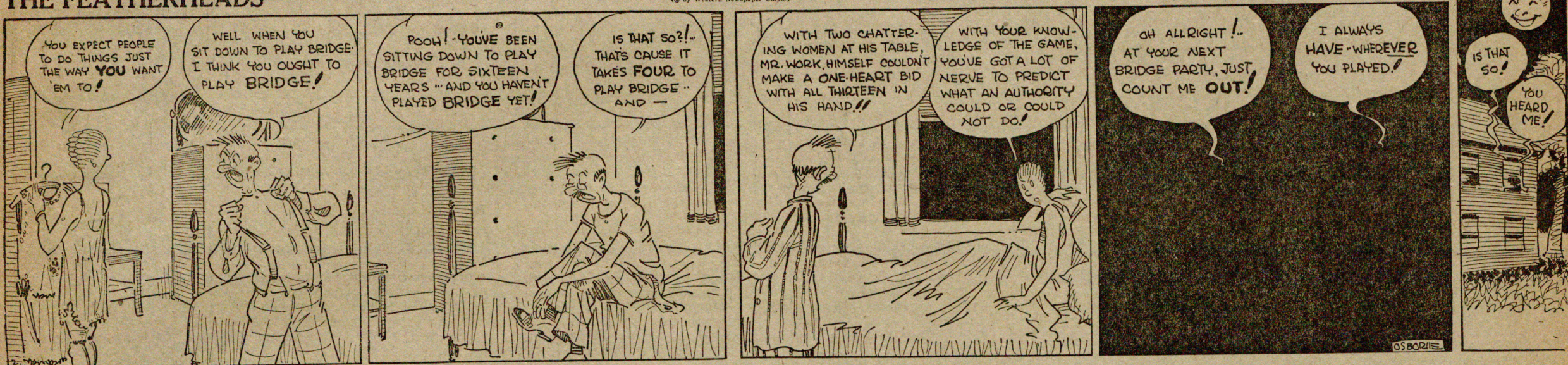
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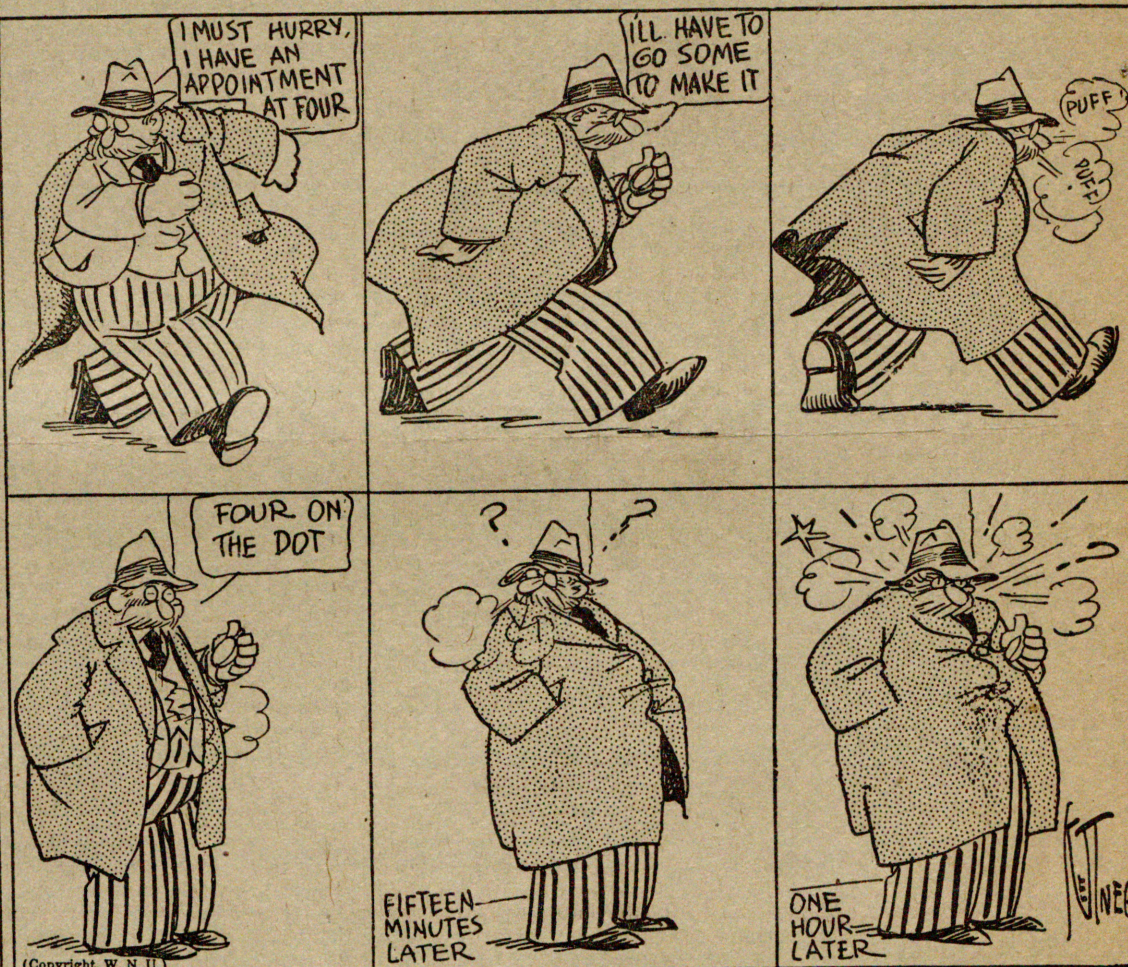
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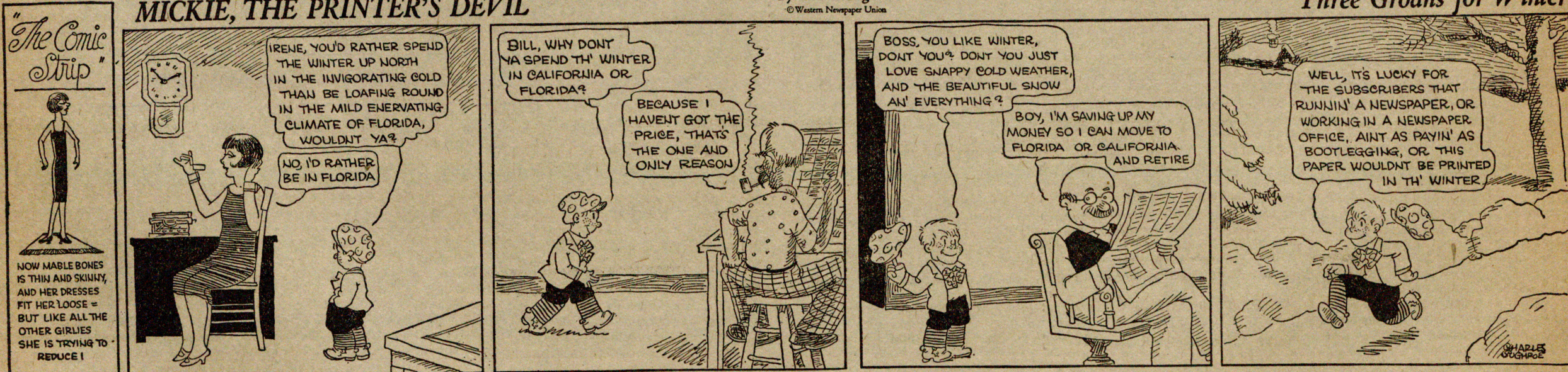
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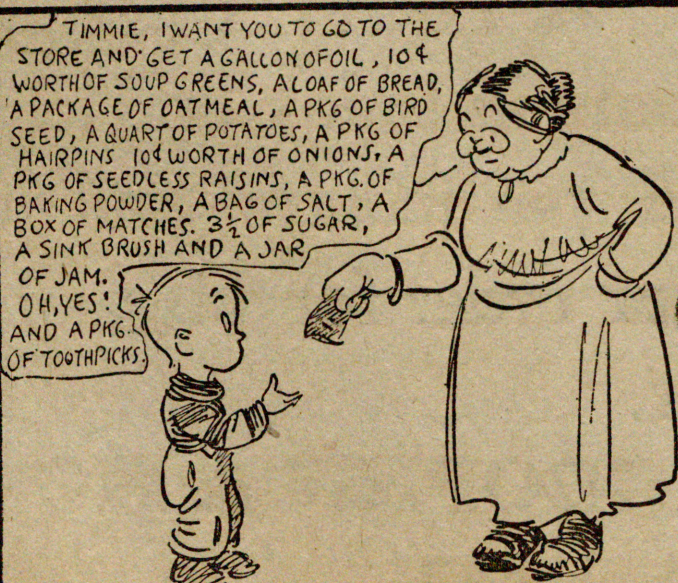
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Mrs. Clancy -- Give Him
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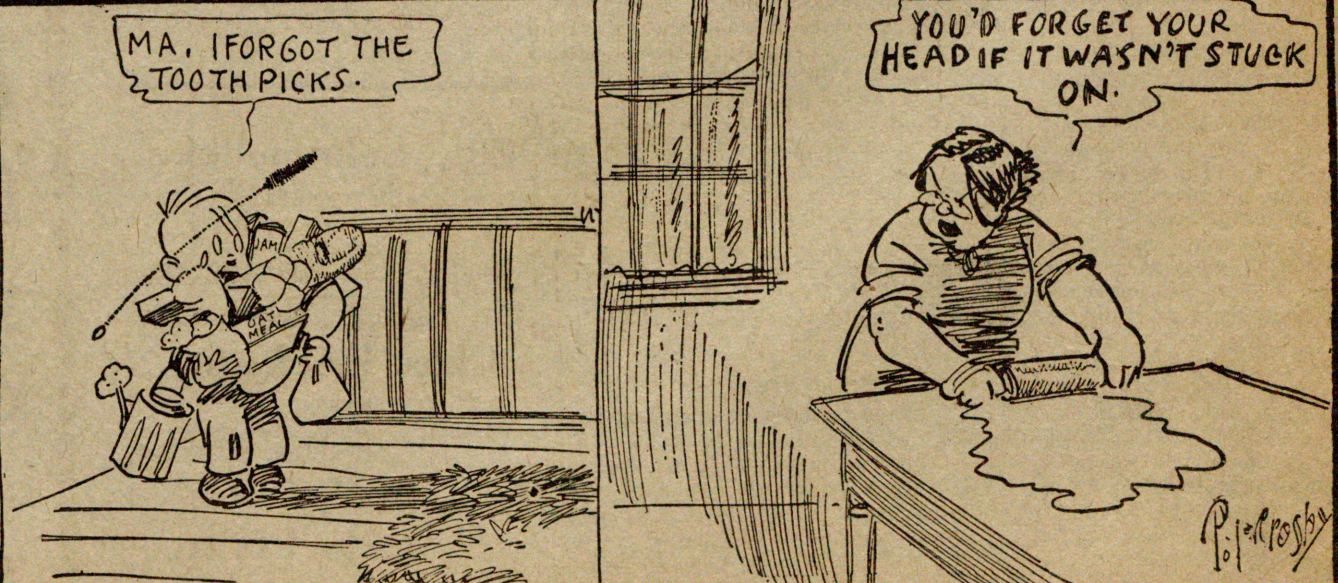


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—CHRISTMAS—

We are just approaching one of the most joyous seasons of the year. There is no other event which stirs the heart so profoundly and which brings so much happy anticipation as the Christmas season. This is the time of the year when the whole world forgets its problems and unites in celebrating the greatest event in the world's history, the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem of Judea.

Heartache, sickness, and disappointment may have come to you during the past year, but there is a thrill of joy in the meaning of Christmas for you, if you will enter into the true Christmas spirit of both giving and receiving gifts.

There is no other event which brings friends and relatives more

closely together. We express our appreciation of each other by giving and receiving presents.

For weeks we have been thinking in terms of gifts. We select these gifts with the greatest skill and care, in order that they may bring the greatest joy and appreciation.

We can make the Christmas Spirit more complete if we remember on these special days, Him who made these joys possible, thru the gift of His Son.

How the words of the angels stirred the simple herdsmen who were watching their flock on the Judean hills, as they sang "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace and good will among men, for unto you is born in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

Former M. E. Pastor Writes of Old Times

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meetings we had. And such wonderful conversions, and radiant faces, and happy souls! A husband and wife were among the number. How wonderfully the Lord saved them! He was the most profane man in the neighborhood; he swore so loud he could be heard a half mile, and some people wouldn't have him work for them on their buildings, he was a carpenter, but when God saved him, he did a complete work, and he became one of the most humble, and sweet-spirited man I ever knew, and his wife was just as devoted. It was he whom I secured to build the Gooding's Grove church.

At Mokena, I had a hard time holding a service. The congregation was so small I had to get an evangelist and a layman to help me. The service was held in the evening, and there were only about twenty people. I was so nervous I could hardly get the service going, and I had to sing and exhort between each prayer to make the meeting last long enough to get people under the influence of the revival. But the Lord blessed our efforts and people were converted and joined the church. Among the number added to the church, was Lizzie Brundage, the leading young lady of the community.

So it was, that God greatly crowned our labors, and brought many into the kingdom of His grace during my pastorate. People told me that it had been years since they had had revivals on the circuit.

I found a debt on the parsonage when I went there, on which the people had been paying ten percent interest for ten years. It seemed to me that was bad business; and I rode around and proposed we pay on the debt, and we did it. They thought I was a wonderful man. And yet the debt was only \$100.

I was the only English-speaking minister for miles around, the Germans abounded; and so it was that I married a good many people, conducted numerous funerals, and baptized a lot of children and adults.

A very fashionable wedding occurred at Bremen, where I was the officiating clergyman. The high contracting parties wished to be married with the ring ceremony, much to my terror, for I was an inexperienced official with that long ceremony. Besides, a large company of Chicago guests were present in the large, new, and wealthy home. When the bride and groom with measured tread and stately grace descended the stairs, and the distinguished company rose for the ceremony, I was about paralyzed with fright! The bride may have been tremulous with self-consciousness, but I was terrorized in the presence of that crowd! However, I got thru, and the evening, and refreshments were delightful.

At the time I was pastor at Mokena, the Baptists occupied our church the Sunday morning I made the round of the three churches, and we got along very harmonious-

ly. The Marshall family was the main supporter of the Baptist organization, and were an excellent family. The McGoverns were also Baptists, and I think the Hatch's.

I presume many things will occur to me which transpired on the Mokena Circuit, after I have mailed this letter, that have not been mentioned in the foregoing. But I shall never forget the Harwoods, the Beagleys, and the Coopers, in whose homes I was always welcome, and which I made my principal stopping places.

I so much enjoyed the swing around the old circuit last fall, but was saddened to miss so many of my former good friends.

A few weeks ago I met with a very happy occurrence. I had learned that Will Harwood's widow lived in Santa Ana, California, just 18 miles from me, and I went to see her, and had such an enjoyable visit. Will died about 2, or 3 yrs. ago. I met her married daughter also. I want to see her again, soon, and have a longer visit. One of the Harwood girls' lives out here, at Montevue Park. I must visit her, Alice Maloney.

Your letter brought great joy to me, informing me as it did of the whereabouts of my good friends of former years, with whom I labored in the beginning of my ministry. From and with that beginning, the Lord has helped me to gather into His kingdom more than a thousand people, and to collect into His treasury thousands of dollars.

Remember me to any of the old friends you may see and give them my love.

With abundant good wishes, I am,
Sincerely yours,
J. R. Woodcock

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January Term, A. D. 1928.

William E. Goode vs Mattie Goode
Bill in Chancery, No. 34014.

Notice is hereby given to the said defendant, Mattie Goode that the above named complainant heretofore filed his bill of complaint in said Court on the Chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said Court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the Term of the Circuit Court of Will County, to be held at the Court House in the City of Joliet, in said Will County, on the first Monday of January A. D. 1927, as is by law required, and which suit is still pending, the same having been continued by order of Court.

Paul V. Wunder, Clerk
Pence B. Orr, Complainant's Solicitor.

Joliet, Ill., November 14th, A. D.

Its Advantage

They were discussing the advantages of the various college courses. "So you've decided on an art course instead of a scientific course?" Inquired the girl. "Oh, yes," answered the youth, "it seemed the better course for me." Her next question was, "Why?" and his reply to that was, "Well, everybody says it's easier to forget."

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TINLEY PARK

Postmaster C. Andres announces that the patrons of the Tinley Park postoffice will have regular mail service this Christmas season as the holiday falls on Sunday. There will be rural mail delivery service on December 24th and 26th.

Mrs. John Kempe celebrated her sixty-seventh birthday last Sunday. Little Ruby Simon entertained the school sewing club Friday evening. They played games with prizes and had refreshments.

Miss Rose Koehler spent a few days in Blue Island visiting her relatives Mr. and Mrs. Peters.

Rose and Alice Darmann of Blue Island visited Rose Koehler for a week.

Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Gotham and Mrs. Hazel Drager attended the election of O. of Elm chapter at Blue Island.

Chas. MacLean who passed away in his home in Midlothian was buried last Saturday.

Mrs. Lizzie Moore sister of Mrs. Chas. Nielsen, has been very low since her operation in a Chicago hospital, is now on the way to recovery.

P. T. A. NEWS NOTES

The Parent-Teacher Association is the only agency which can unite the two greatest makers of Americans—the home and the school. It aims to promote better parenthood, better schools and better community. We need you. Come to the next meeting. Our regular meeting day has been changed to the first Friday in every month. However, our next meeting may be held a few days later as we expect a speaker at this time. The date will be published as soon as known. Our last meeting was certainly an enthusiastic one. A plan to bring Christmas cheer to those less fortunate than ourselves is being carried out. Every member has shown great interest in this work. Mrs. Brandt our past president was presented with the National Pin, for her faithfulness during the past two years. At the close of the meeting a splendid program was given by the little folks in Miss Morningstar's room. Delicious home made candy was served.

Mrs. John E. Swisher, President

TINLEY PARK M. E. CHURCH
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Mrs. W. R. Wyman, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m.

J. L. CHANEY, Pastor
Mrs. Edward Henke was taken to the Harvey hospital to be operated on for appendicitis.

On Monday when the roads were icy a collision between H. C. Lucht and a Tinley Park man's car took place, resulting in injury to Mr. Lucht and considerable damage to his car.

Mrs. Laura Coe entertained the sewing club at a Christmas party during the week. Sewing was laid aside for games and merry making and at the close the seasons greetings were exchanged.

IN MEMORIAM

STEGE—In loving memory of my dear sister, Emma Stege, who passed to her rest, Dec. 13, 1925. On earth she sought the Saviour's grace.

On earth she loved His name;
Now in His kingdom bright, she dwells,
To praise His Holy name.

MARY SIMON.

IN MEMORIAM

SWARTZ—Martha Swartz, (nee Funk). In sad and loving memory of our beloved wife and dear mother One year has passed since that sad day.

Often we pause and think of you,
And think of how you died.
To think you could not say good-bye
Before you closed your eyes;
No one knows the silent heartaches,
Only those who have loved can tell.
Of the grief that is borne in silence
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GEESSE FOR SALE, Henry Schiek, Mokena, Ill. Telephone 31-J-1

FOR SALE—Barred Rock Cockerels. A. C. Geuther, Mokena, Illinois Tel. Frankfort 80-W-1. 16p

FOR SALE—Registered Duroc Jersey Boar. Serviceable age. Mrs. Mary K. Marti, Mokena, Illinois. Telephone 31-W-1.

FOR SALE—Red Rhode Island cockerels. H. C. Lucht, Phone Tinley Park 38-J2

FOR SALE—5 room house; buyer to remove bldg. or tear same down. Chas. Koehler, Tinley Park, Ill.

FOR SALE—Homemade Christmas candy. Chocolates a specialty. Telephone orders to 37-J2 Mokena, Ill.

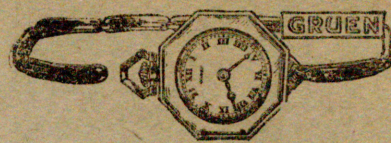
FOR SALE—30 Sharpshire Ewes & one ram. Tel. 33 J2 Tinley Park.

FOR SALE—Second hand piano in good condition; cheap. Miss Alma Brueggeman, 32 Illinois Street, Chicago Heights, Ill.

FOR SALE—Atwater Kent 5 tube radio set complete with speaker; new tubes and new batteries \$40. ALSO used Traveler radio in mahogany cabinet with built in speaker and loop aerial with tubes and batteries \$45. Clarence E. Beagley, Orland Park Ill. Telephone 29-J2 or 97.

FOR SALE—Rhode Island Red Roosters and some goose feathers. August Hauck, Mokena, Ill. Tel. 52-W1

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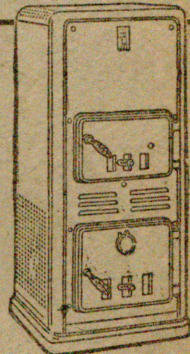
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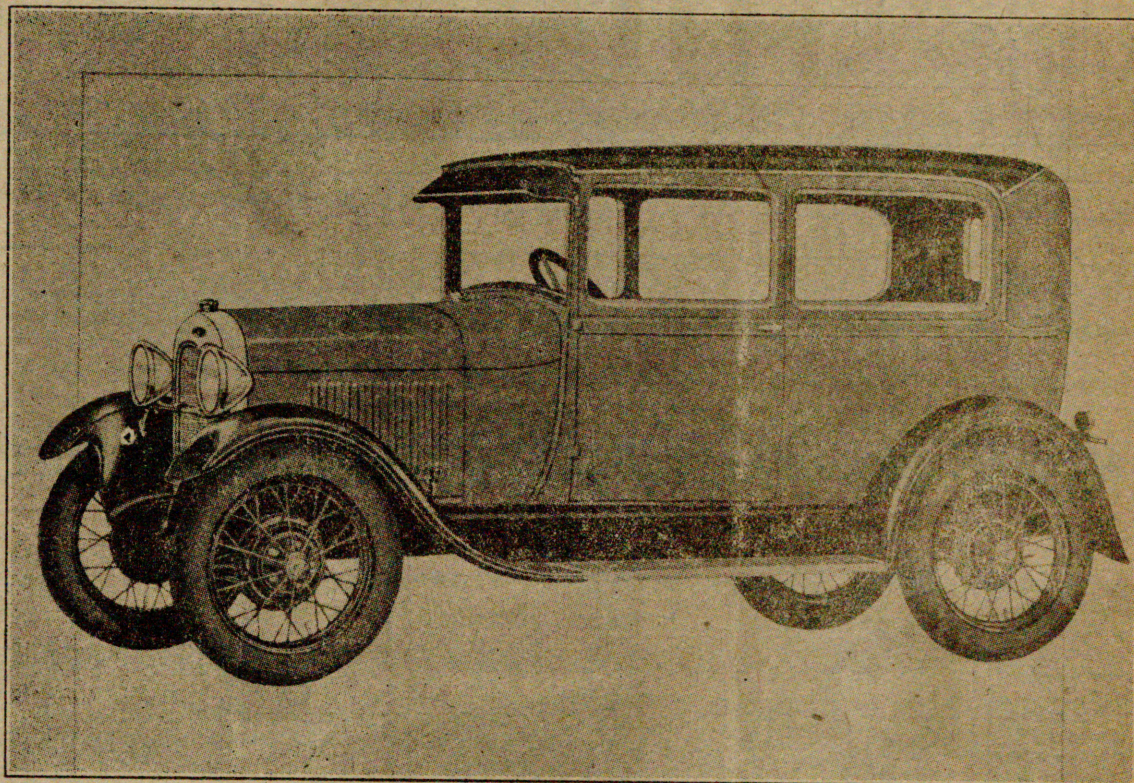
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